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### About our authors...

**Phyllis Zauner**, author of "Cowboys: An American Legend," can spot a tenderfoot a mile away. She's written six books on early Western subjects.

**Lester David** is the author of over a thousand magazine articles but says few were harder to put together than "None For The Road" because "I have

known too many victims."

"Stopping The Invisible Invader" was written by history professor and Neighborhood Watch group member **James P. Johnson**, who follows the advice he gives here for keeping burglars at bay.

As a lifetime Washington state resident and a retired Seattle daily newspaper

editor, **Bruce E. Penny** brings a special insight to his article "Seattle: A Jewel Of A City."

"The Human Side Of Ike" is the work of **Douglas Greene**, who served under Eisenhower in WWII.

Cover: The trappings of the American cowboy are depicted by artist/designer **Kim Behm** of Waterloo, Iowa.



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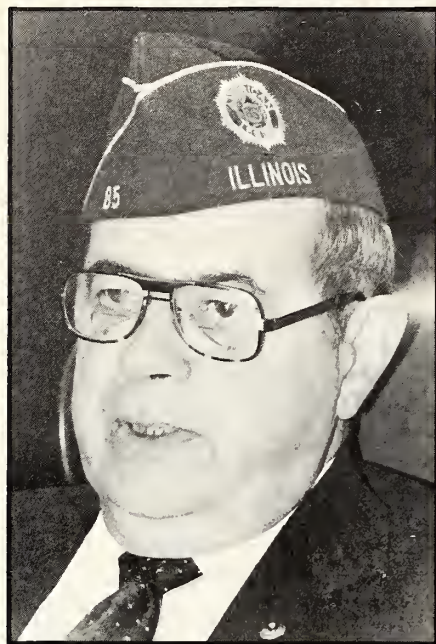
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## Commander's Message

# A Lesson Of Vietnam



Al Keller, Jr.

On this Memorial Day, as we turn our thoughts to the memory of those loved ones and friends who lost their lives in time of war, each of us fervently prays that such sacrifice will never again be necessary. Yet, even as we pray, we know there are mighty forces at work that would rob us of those freedoms purchased and preserved at such dear price.

At this moment, Soviet-supported guerrillas are terrorizing El Salvador in an effort to gain and then solidify a foothold in Central America. We're not talking about central Asia here, or central Africa, or even central Europe—we're talking about Central America, our own backyard. Moreover, we're talking about the vital security interests of the United States. Our government has publicly, clearly and repeatedly "drawn a line" on Communist aggression south of El Salvador. If that demarcation is not adhered to, it may one day be necessary to defend a line north of Mexico.

Yet, despite the seriousness of this situation, the hue and cry within our own borders is, "No more Vietnams!"

El Salvador is not Vietnam. Too much is at stake for such a simplistic evaluation to prevail. And too great to be ignored are the differences between our interests in Central America and our interests in Vietnam. Aside from the geographical differences, the national security implications of a Communist presence in that tiny country

are awesome indeed compared to such a presence in Vietnam.

That Communist presence would grant to the Soviet Union yet another strategic advantage within our own hemisphere. It would keep American attention riveted to our southern border, while seriously diminishing our ability to aid Western Europe, to respond to crises in the Mideast and to protect our interests in the Pacific.

As veterans who know the horror of war firsthand; as Legionnaires who are well acquainted with conditions that tend to make war inevitable; and as Americans who yearn for a world at peace, we agree, "There should be no more Vietnams"—no more abandonment of a nation seeking the opportunity for self-determination and left impaled on the sword of Communist domination and slaughter.

Media hype implies the United States unwittingly and unwisely escalated its involvement in Vietnam, first by giving military aid, then U.S. advisers, which led to U.S. combat involvement and, finally, to defeat and disaster. The corollary contention is the U.S. government lied to and misled its own people during the escalation, and the Vietnamese government and people allied with us were corrupt, undeserving and ungrateful.

The reality is that the objective of the United States in Vietnam was to prevent the imposition of a Communist government on the people of South Vietnam. Until the day that U.S. troops were withdrawn, we were successful in that mission despite widespread criticism at home, severe political constraints and a rash of publicity that inaccurately interpreted events. To a large extent, the South Vietnamese were also successful in their role until Congress cut off all military aid to the struggling government—an appeasement to American public opinion formed mainly on a basic lack of understanding of the significance of Southeast Asia.

At the time of the American withdrawal, the insurgents had been defeated and contained, and the countryside was approaching a condition of normalcy. So, the historical record should correctly read that U.S. involvement in South Vietnam, though extremely costly in terms of human life, achieved its objective. That is, as of the time of the 1973 Paris peace

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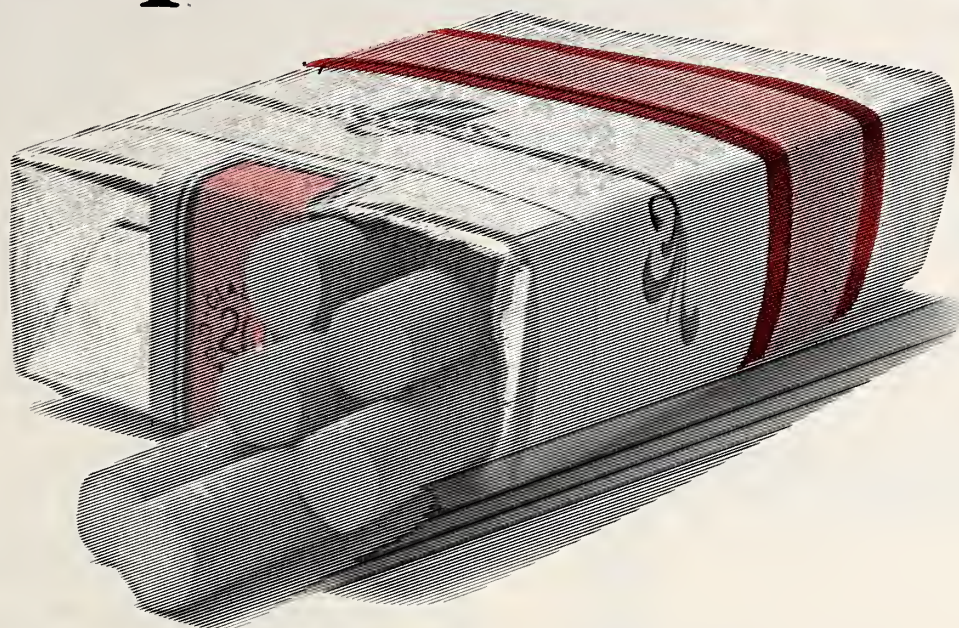
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35-44	54,000	48,600	43,200	37,800	32,400	27,000	21,600	16,200	10,800	5,400
45-54	26,400	23,760	21,120	18,480	15,840	13,200	10,560	7,920	5,280	2,640
55-59	14,400	12,960	11,520	10,080	8,640	7,200	5,760	4,320	2,880	1,440
60-64	9,600	8,640	7,680	6,720	5,760	4,800	3,840	2,880	1,920	960
65-69	6,000	5,400	4,800	4,200	3,600	3,000	2,400	1,800	1,200	600
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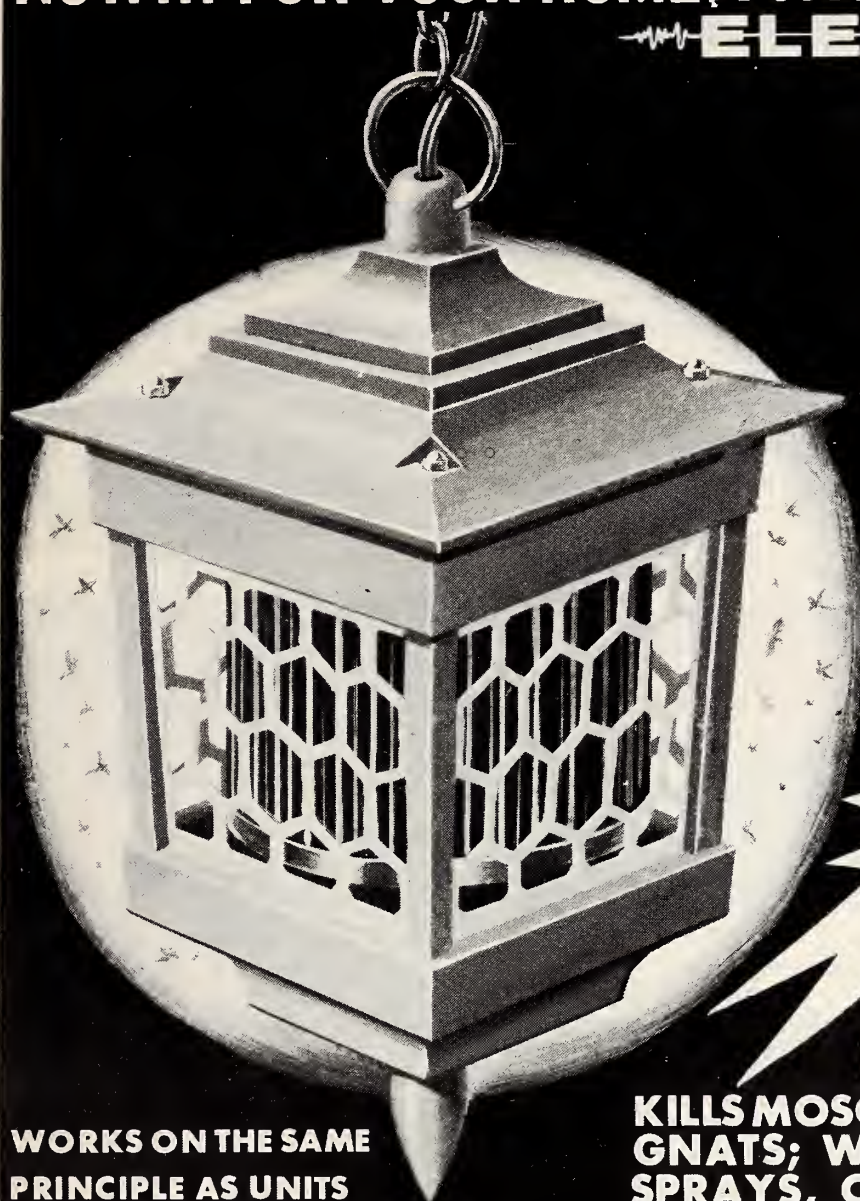


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# Letters

## Golden Lion

• Don Underwood's "Death Of The Golden Lion" (March) brought back a lot of memories still fresh after 39 years. As a combat infantryman of the 2nd Division, I remember the GIs of the 106th coming into our area at dusk one evening in mid-December 1944. Some were carrying sporting equipment. No one laughed at them or taunted them, as their mood and ours was as gloomy as the dismal Ardennes around us. I take issue with the author when he states that the 2nd Infantry Division troops "were on their way back to a rest area, taking all the heating stoves with them." I didn't see a heating stove the five months I was on the front line, and we certainly did not go to a rest area.

DAVID KITCHEN  
Poplar Bluff, Mo.

• I admit we kidded those guys of the 106th and 99th because we knew what was in store for green troops, but when the author stated that the 2nd Division troops were on the way to a rest area, he was surely misinformed.

WILLIAM R. MONROE  
Lebanon, Ind.

• On checking the registry of graduates of the U.S. Military Academy, I learned that Lt. Alan Jones, Jr., son of Maj. Gen. Alan Jones, Sr., commander of the 106th Division, was not killed, as stated by the author. Lt. Jones became a POW and following release was highly decorated for his service. He remained in the Army from which he retired in 1973, and at last report is living in Oakton, Va.

RAY GALLAGHER  
Alexandria, Va.

*The author replies: Actually, the 2nd Division was indeed ordered off the front line to a "rear" zone. Just as the high command thought that the 106th would be moving into a "quiet front-line sector" for a period of acclimatization, the German attack on the morning of December 16th dissolved both theories on the spot. Mr. Gallagher is correct concerning Lt. Jones. To my chagrin, my search for information ended with Maj. Gen. Jones, his father, having received word of the "loss" of*

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*his son. I regret this unfortunate assumption on my part.*

## Labor

• Congratulations to Jay Stuller for his superb article "The Changing Face of American Labor" (March). It is concise, accurate, timely and beautifully written. I thought by the subhead that the job loss was going to be blamed on the technological revolution. In fact a great deal of the cause was the fault of labor and lazy management. The author covered it fairly.

FRANK L. HARVEY  
Hackettstown, N.J.

• My compliments on this excellent and incisive article. It's a fast-changing world and this presentation is a signal of a changing America. It's a big challenge to learn new skills and adapt to new jobs.

DAVE BLOOM  
Sheepshead Bay, N.Y.

## Andropov

• Military historian Ernest Cuneo's brilliant "Andropov And The KGB Revolution" (February) merits a second reading. I conclude that America is in a military confrontation with the Soviet Union, and at the same time in economic confrontation in the area of high technology against worldwide adversaries. America must prevail in both of the above challenges.

LEWIS FARKAS, Sr.  
Baldwin Park, Calif.

• This article was most interesting and thought-provoking. However, the author makes one puzzling statement when he notes that among the KGB training centers around the world, (North Korea, South Yemen, East Germany and Bulgaria), there is "Palestine." To the best of my knowledge Palestine went out of existence with the creation of Israel.

RICHARD A. KLEIN  
Charlotte, N.C.

## "Loco" Legion

• I truly enjoyed "Support Your 'Loco' Legion" (March), and the pictures of Old 73 and crew members. As a retired railway express agent after 47 years service, the old steam engines have a warm place in my heart. I was grieved to see them replaced. There's just nothing like the Old Iron Horse.

LARRY FRENCH  
Pine Bluff, Ark.



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# Should The Powers Of The Federal Courts Be Limited?



Sen. John P.  
East,  
R-N.C.

**Yes.** A basic lesson of every civics class is that Congress makes laws and fundamental policy decisions, the president enforces them and judges apply them.

How should Congress respond when unelected federal judges usurp the powers of elected officials by making laws and fundamental policy decisions? Under our constitutional system Congress is given the duty of maintaining the proper balance of

power by checking the abuse of power by the federal judges.

Legislation withdrawing jurisdiction of the federal judges over controversial issues and leaving that jurisdiction to state courts is precisely the kind of check on judicial abuse that was specifically authorized by the founding fathers in sections 1 and 2 of the Constitution.

There are many examples in American history when Congress has limited the power of the federal courts and the Supreme Court has repeatedly recognized the constitutionality of these measures.

Many Americans, however, forget that the lower federal courts are created by Congress in the first instance and are the product of statutes that can be repealed or modified at any time. They fail to realize that state courts have full authority under the Constitution to protect fundamental rights when federal judges behave irresponsibly.

Today, after years of federal courts interfering with the enforcement of state criminal laws, freeing criminals, barring prayer in public schools, overturning state laws on abortion, and allowing the general deterioration of moral values, citizens are asking what can be done to regain control of their state and local governments.

After all, in a democratic system of government, important policy decisions on issues of crime, education and pornography should be made by elected representatives.

The liberal federal judges and their supporters in Congress claim that fundamental rights will not be protected by state courts and they argue that federal judges must not have limits on their power to implement their purportedly constitutional decisions. The American people, however, see through this and recognize that many federal judges have all too often used the Constitution as a pretext for usurping the policy-making powers of elected officials.

In fact, a 1981 study shows that an overwhelming majority of the American people believe that the federal judiciary *does not* reflect their views and that sensitive matters like criminal law enforcement, busing, abortion and prayer should be decided locally.

Legislation limiting the powers of the federal judges is only necessary because judicial abuse of power has disrupted the proper balance of powers. Congress should enact such responsible legislation notwithstanding the shrill outcry of those who have an imperfect understanding of the Constitution and at times an apparent mistrust of the foundation of democracy: majority rule.



Sen. Max  
Baucus,  
D-Mont.

**No.** On August 16, the Senate began debate on an amendment that most people believed would reverse a 1962 Supreme Court decision preventing states from requiring prayer in public schools.

Nothing was further from the truth. This so-called "school prayer" amendment would not have reversed the Supreme Court decision. Instead this amendment was far more radical—it would have prevented

federal courts from hearing future school prayer cases.

If such a proposal is enacted, and withstands a court challenge, from that moment on the Supreme Court will only be able to protect those constitutional rights that Congress permits it to protect.

Constitutional guarantees—the hallmark of our society—will be swept aside by simple majority vote.

- Congress would be free to take away personal property from citizens without due process of law—by stripping the Supreme Court's power to hear those cases.

- Congress would be free to close down the nation's pressrooms—by removing the court's ability to enforce freedom of the press.

- Congress would be free to establish a national religion—by stripping the court's power to enforce the First Amendment.

These were the very government abuses from which our founders were seeking refuge when they wrote our Constitution.

Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., says, "I can see no end to the practice. There is no clear and coherent standard to define why we shall control the court in one area but not another. The only criterion seems to be that whenever a momentary majority can be brought together in disagreement with a judicial action, it is fitting to control the federal courts."

Att. Gen. William French Smith shares these concerns. He says that Congress's power over federal court jurisdiction cannot interfere with the "core functions" of the Supreme Court, and argues that the "integrity of our system of federal law depends upon a court of last resort having a final say on the resolution of federal questions."

Supporters of limiting the courts' powers argue that federal courts have overstepped their authority and are usurping functions that should be performed by Congress.

However, the Constitution provides a remedy for those who disagree with Supreme Court decisions. This remedy is the constitutional amendment process. I welcome debate on proposed Constitution amendments.

Simply put, Congress should not set the pernicious precedent of stripping the Supreme Court and other federal courts of their authority and right to enforce the Constitution. It would be unfortunate if, in an effort to promote a specific social agenda, those basic principles of governance that have served this country well for 200 years would be undermined. Let's not undermine the Constitution.



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# An American Legend

by Phyllis Zauner

"When your joints are cold and stiff, and an old pony is doing his double best to unload you, a cowboy don't feel none too happy," the buckaroo wrote. "Some fall morning you wake up to four inches of wet snow on your bed tarp. If you got your feet wet yester-

day, it's pure hell to pull those cold damp boots on. Even so, there's a certain glamour that clings to a cowboy. You remember riding the deep canyon of the Owyhee, the bands of wild horses, the sagebrush flats and rugged mountains of Nevada. And when you look back over all the years, remembering the horses, cattle, girls and the





men you rode with, you kinda know the good outweighed the bad."

The American cowboy is known around the world. His image has been permanently fixed by John Wayne (whose cowboy is stubbornly fair, but a terror when wronged), by Waylon Jennings (who sings of the shy cowboy, awkward around women), by artists like Russell and Remington (both of whom rode with cowboys) and by writer Louis L'Amour, who may know more about the frontier cowboy than any other Western historian.

The cowboy of fact may have been slightly less romantic than the legend portrayed in movie, song and art. There was certainly no romance in getting up at 4 a.m., eating dust behind a trail herd, swimming muddy rivers; none in doctoring screw worms, pulling stupid cows from bog holes, sweating in the 100 degree heat of Arizona or freezing at 40 below in Montana.

Still, there is that seed of truth in the legend. Myth and reality did converge. The cowboy of the 1870s *was* awkward around women because he rarely saw one. By one account, "A lonesome young cowboy would travel miles just to sit on a porch for an hour or two and watch some homesteader's red-faced daughter rock her chair and scratch her elbows—and not a smack or a hug." While the average old-time cowhand may not have exactly fit the picture of a dashing, two-gun hombre riding at a sweeping gallop uphill over rough trails for hours at a stretch, his horse's eyes bulging with the joy of speed, still he sometimes did ride hard and dangerously on the trail and in roundup. And though he was no lawless ruffian, he did

fancy carrying a Colt. In truth, it was used mostly on rattlesnakes, but sometimes the cowboy did have to take the law into his own hands.

In the 1870s, the western half of the country was a big, empty land (six inhabitants per square mile) where formal law didn't exist. So early cowboys developed their own code, and dealt harshly with those who spurned it.

- One of the first rules of the code was courage. A cowpuncher's life was full of dangers such as mad cows, swollen rivers, treacherous quicksands and unfriendly Indians. A coward endangered lives.

- A strict range law was "no whiskey with the wagon." Nothing got a man fired quicker than drinking while working cattle.

- In trail days, a standing rule was to wake a man by speech and not by touch; the hardships of the drive frayed nerves and he was apt to come alive with gun in hand.

- When two men met, spoke and passed on, it was a violation of the code for

either to look back over his shoulder. Such an act was interpreted as an expression of distrust.

- Loyalty was paramount. Once a cowhand had signed up with an outfit, he was "faithful to the brand." He worked long hours and packed no timepiece. No man stood over him. He'd ride night herd as faithfully on a rainy night or in stinging sleet as he would on starry, moonlit nights.

- Grumblers didn't flourish in a cow camp. That didn't fit in with the code. Privations and hardships were endured without complaint. No one knew if a man was

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*They were weather-worn frontiersmen in a country that belonged to God. They fought cold, heat, cattle and each other, all for only a few dollars a month and the chance to do it again next year.*



by Lester David

At half-past five in the afternoon, a middle-aged man glances at his watch, slides off a bar stool, gulps the last of his drink and waves goodbye to several coworkers. Minutes later, he is in his car on his way to his suburban home a dozen miles away.

The man at the wheel—let's call him Joe—scarcely looks like anybody's image of a drunk driver. He is not staggering, slobbering or nodding in the driver's seat. He doesn't shoot past stop signs, weave through traffic or careen wildly all over the road. He looks, acts and speaks like your average, everyday homebound commuter, in full control of himself and his vehicle.

But he is not in full control.

Studies by traffic safety experts reveal that many Americans, as decent, hardworking and generally temperate as Joe, contribute to the grisly toll being racked up on our roads in alcohol-related accidents. Clay Hall, a top executive in the Office of Alcohol Counter-Measures of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), declares: "One of the biggest myths around is that the killers on the roads are confirmed drunks. They do their share of mayhem, of course, but consider the person who hasn't had anything to eat since lunch and then takes a drink or more before driving home. With nothing in his stomach to absorb it, the alcohol quickly enters his bloodstream and reaches his brain, impairing its functioning. Without realizing it, the individual has become a menace. Judgment, perception, even inhibitions, are dimmed and dulled." In some cases, Hall says, just a single drink may be enough.

Joseph E. Owens, chairman of Maryland's House Judiciary Committee, put it this way: "People don't realize that the drunk driver is not usually the guy who staggers down the street from tavern to tavern. The drunk driver can be anybody."

And, according to a recent federal study, drunk drivers kill more than 27,500 Americans every year in alcohol-related traffic accidents. Annual injuries, reports the NHTSA, total more than 700,000. In the past two years alone, the number of those hurt has equalled the grand total of American soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines wounded in action since the Revolutionary War.

In most states, individuals are considered legally intoxicated when their BAC (blood alcohol concentration) levels reach .1 percent, meaning there is one part of alcohol in every 1,000 parts of blood. However, driving impairment can occur at half that. Only two to three ounces of spirits or two beers consumed in one hour can affect an individual by:

- Slowing eye reaction
- Reducing visual acuity by as much as 38 percent
- Cutting reaction time by 15 to 25 percent
- Impairing judgment of speed and distance
- Increasing recovery time from the glare of oncoming headlights by 7 to 32 percent

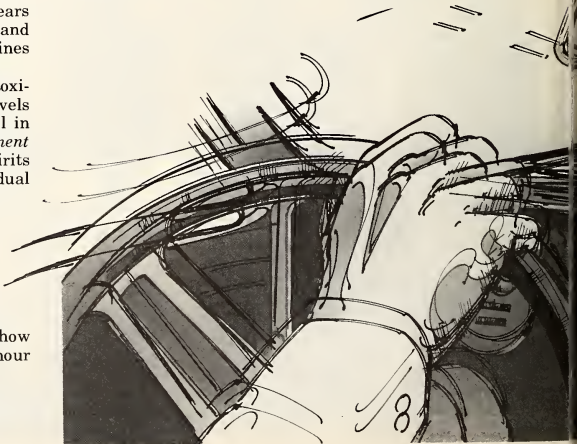
The rapidity with which you drink also governs how much you are affected. Generally, it takes about an hour

*Nationwide, more and more drunk drivers are having their blurred vision on the road sharpened by jail terms and stiff fines.*



# NONE For The Road

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down on this  
"socially accepted  
form of murder"





for the body to dispose of just one ounce of 86 proof liquor, or a single bottle of beer. The "Joes" who gather at the local bar for a drink or more after work, don't quaff leisurely. Late afternoon is a time for quick ones and off we go. By the time Joe is driving home, though, the buildup of alcohol is at its peak.

Of course, variables enter the picture. How liquor affects you depends on your body weight, how much you've eaten and when, how weary you are, whether you're taking medication, even the amount of tension you've experienced at work. On average, a 120-pounder needs to consume only two ounces of 80-proof liquor on an empty stomach in one hour to reach a .05 BAC. A man weighing 170 can drink three ounces before reaching the same level; a 200-pound person, just a half-ounce more.

Furthermore, driver performance tests at the University of Vermont showed that moderate amounts of alcohol result in steering inaccuracies. In Washington, the National Transportation Safety Board reported that a driver's likelihood of causing a highway accident increased significantly at a blood alcohol level of only .04 percent. The Greater New York Safety Council cites studies showing that a driver with that BAC is *seven times more likely* to have an accident than a non-drinker. And an .04 percent BAC is reached by most people after only one stiff drink!

Fed up with these loose cannons on the highways, Americans are waging an all-out war to get them off—and it's being waged at levels from the White House to state legislatures, from law enforcement agencies down to grassroots movements. What most infuriates the anti-drunk driving forces is the leniency with which offenders are treated. The following examples, selected at random, are only too typical of thousands around the nation:

*Item:* In the South, a man received a one-year prison term after being convicted of drunk driving for the 13th

time. Following his release, he was again at the wheel, again intoxicated, and again involved in a crash.

*Item:* On the West Coast, a driver served a month and a half in jail after six DWI (Driving While Intoxicated) and reckless-driving convictions. After being freed, and with a blood alcohol content of .27 percent, he drove onto a sidewalk and killed a 4-year-old child.

*Item:* On the East Coast, a motorist who had been previously convicted of drunken driving struck and killed a pedestrian. The penalty for the driver who was drunk again? Probation.

District attorneys, juries and especially judges, the crusaders point out, are part of the problem. The overwhelming majority of drunk drivers get off with a wrist slap, hardly enough to dissuade them from hoisting some more—and steering a wheel. The "big picture" offers some horrifying statistics. For instance, in California, 284,000 drivers were arrested one recent year for drunk driving, but only 272—less than one in 1,000—had their licenses suspended indefinitely by the courts. Lawyers for most of the others were able to plea bargain the charges down to reckless driving, which calls for a lesser penalty. Last year, the state of Idaho put only two persons in jail after DWI convictions, although 600 had been found guilty and another 1,200 arrested. A study conducted on Long Island, N.Y., revealed that 62 percent of convicted persons, of whom half were repeat offenders, got off without even a fine. Even when licenses have been revoked or suspended, as many as 80 to 90 percent continue to drive their automobiles anyway, the NHTSA reports.

The records of other states are equally dismal. Little wonder that organizations such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) are outraged. Candy Lightner, who formed MADD after her 13-year-old daughter was killed

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# Absolutely The Toughest WORLD WAR II QUIZ

Answer 20 correctly and  
you're an expert on  
"The Big One"



The next time an acquaintance professes to be an expert on World War II—and all of us, it seems, know at least one such person—you might stick this simple little quiz under his nose.

The questions have been taken from Timothy B. Benford's book, *The World War II Quiz & Fact Book*, recently published by Harper & Row. The questions have been selected by the editors to dismay the all-knowing experts and delight the student of the unusual, sometimes quite bizarre, facts of World War II. You'll find the answers beginning on the facing page.

1. Identify the type of aircraft that was produced in larger quantities than any other during the war.

- a. Japanese Zero
- b. Messerschmitt BF-109E

- c. B-24 Liberator
- d. DC-3 (including C-53 and C-47 versions)

2. Who said, "He who holds Paris holds France"?

- a. Charles de Gaulle
- b. The Duke of Windsor
- c. Adolf Hitler

3. Which was the only major surrender after D-Day that was *not* accepted in the name of the Allied powers?

- a. Rome
- b. Paris
- c. Berlin

4. How many Japanese troops were killed trying to prevent the United States from retaking the Philippines in 1945?

- a. 100,000

- b. 250,000
- c. 450,000

5. Name the first American general to command four field armies.

- a. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- b. Louis A. Craig
- c. Omar N. Bradley

6. Which Axis power suffered most from the Allied use of incendiary bombs?

- a. Germany
- b. Japan
- c. Italy

7. The U.S. 93rd Infantry Division was:

- a. All American Indian
- b. All black Americans
- c. All German-speaking Americans

8. What was the production rate that the American aircraft industry reached in 1944?

- a. One plane a day
- b. One plane every hour
- c. One plane every six minutes





9. Which airborne operation was the largest of the war?

- a. German drop on Crete
- b. Allied drops in Operation Market Garden (Holland)
- c. Allied drops on Wesel

10. What was the relationship of casualties between the U.S. 77th Division and the Japanese troops involved in the battle on Leyte, Dec. 20-31, 1944?

- a. 10,006 Japanese vs. 520 U.S.
- b. 3,107 Japanese vs. 302 U.S.
- c. 5,779 Japanese vs. 17 U.S.

11. Identify the general who led U.S. troops back to the Philippines on Oct. 20, 1944.

- a. MacArthur
- b. Krueger
- c. Eichelberger

12. Which American plane was known as the Flying Prostitute and why?

13. What name and rank did the British give to the body deposited off the Spanish coast in the hopes the Axis would think it was a dead secret courier?

14. How did Churchill sign his correspondence with FDR?

15. What was A-Day?

16. What did membership in the Caterpillar Club say about a pilot?

17. What was the American retort to the British quip, "You Yanks are overpaid, oversexed and over here"?

18. What were the two messages that came over the transport ships' loudspeakers that most D-Day veterans still remember?

19. Identify the medical equipment that was taken everywhere Hitler went.

20. What were the four things that Eisenhower said won the war for the Allies?

21. Who signed Clark Gable's discharge papers in June 1944?

22. Who was the first member of the U.S. Congress to enlist after Pearl Harbor?

23. Identify the only two civilian activities in Berlin that did not cease during the attack, surrender and occupation of the city.

24. Who were: "Soldiers in sailors uniforms, with Marine training, doing civilian work at WPA wages"?

25. What was the delightful surprise the U.S. Marines found on Guam when it was reoccupied?

## The Answers

1. (b.) The Messerschmitt BF-109E, with nearly 36,000 produced.

2. (c.) Adolf Hitler

3. (b.) Paris. It was accepted in the name of the Provisional Government of the French Republic, according to instructions de Gaulle had given Gen. Leclerc.

4. (c.) The Japanese lost 450,000 troops.

5. (c.) During the drive into Germany the 1st, 3rd, 9th and 15th Armies were under the command of Omar N. Bradley. Their combined strength was nearly a million men.

6. (b.) Japan by far. Building construction in Japan was over 80 percent wood and wood products, while in Germany stone and brick were the primary building materials. However, the United States and Great Britain dropped almost 1.5 million incendiaries on Hamburg, Germany, in July and August 1943, causing the infamous "firestorms."

7. (b.) It was an all-black American division.

8. (c.) One plane every six minutes.

9. (c.) The British 6th and the U.S. 17th paratrooper drops on Wesel, March 24, 1945, which required approximately 40,000 paratroopers and just over 5,050 planes.

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by James P. Johnson

"No one ever thinks a burglar will invade his home," said Detective Steve Semancik, a 17-year veteran of the Mountainside, N.J., police department. "Unfortunately, the odds contradict such assumptions: FBI statistics show that a house or apartment is burglarized every 15 seconds, around the clock." And the aftermath is often traumatic.

Mary B. was hysterical. Rushing from room to room, her eyes searched shelves and open drawers. At every turn she discovered something else missing. Silverware, jewelry, TV, stereo, clothes—all gone. "Suddenly guilt, anger and panic overcame her," Semancik recalled. "She collapsed in a chair and began pounding its arms over and over with her fists. She kept saying, 'Wait until my husband finds out. He'll kill me.'"

Mary had been out of her home for about an hour on a daytime shopping errand and had neglected to arm her

new burglar alarm. "Many cases I've investigated were similar. Victims could have prevented a burglary simply by using a little more care," said Semancik.

Regardless of how many or how few preventive measures have been taken, once a burglar succeeds, the effects are frequently long lasting and always unpleasant. "People feel that their home is their castle, their private place," said Police Capt. Robert Luce, a 23-year veteran of the Scotch Plains, N.J., police force. Luce, who heads a detective bureau that handles about 400 burglary cases a year in New Jersey's most densely populated county, says that victims feel invaded. "I've seen people who feel the need to clean their entire home or apartment once, maybe twice. They seem to have lost their feeling of security."

Luce also said that some victims cannot sleep well for weeks afterward and others, especially housewives, become virtual prisoners in their homes. The effects are not felt by adults only. "I've seen small children come to their mother carrying broken piggy banks," he said, "and they ask if the 'bad man will come back again.' The mother invariably says he won't and then, after the child has left the room, turns to me for reassurance."

Reactions range from total surrender to extreme anger, according to experts, and at some point fear is almost always mingled among the emotions felt. "Burglary is not just having your possessions taken," noted one victim. "It's living with the thought that it could happen again and you might be at home the next time—with far worse consequences."

# Stopping The Invisible Invader



*Many burglars are hardcore professionals who dress like average businessmen and keep similar hours. They knock on the door in daylight. If no one answers, they break in.*



One night on his way to the kitchen for a late night snack, *New York Times* deputy editor Jack Rosenthal surprised a burglar in his home. "Don't move a muscle," the burglar ordered as he aimed a handgun at Rosenthal. According to Rosenthal, the burglar then backed out a door and fled.

"Maybe I should have a gun," Rosenthal said to the sergeant who investigated the break-in.

"What would you have done?" the sergeant asked.

"Oh, I probably would have said something like, 'Stop right there.'"

"But you would have said something, right?"

Rosenthal nodded.

"Then you'd be dead. You would give a warning and his answer would be to shoot. Almost any decent person would give a warning. They'd think it might be some kind of mistake, or prank, or neighborhood kid. They'd say *something* first. And they'd be dead," said the police officer.

Even so, alarmed by skyrocketing crime statistics, about 24 percent of Americans keep handguns at home—double the figure of 20 years ago. Last year Americans bought 2 million handguns for self protection. Many of them were purchased for use by women, as in the case of an elderly Northeastern housewife I'll call Doris Smith.

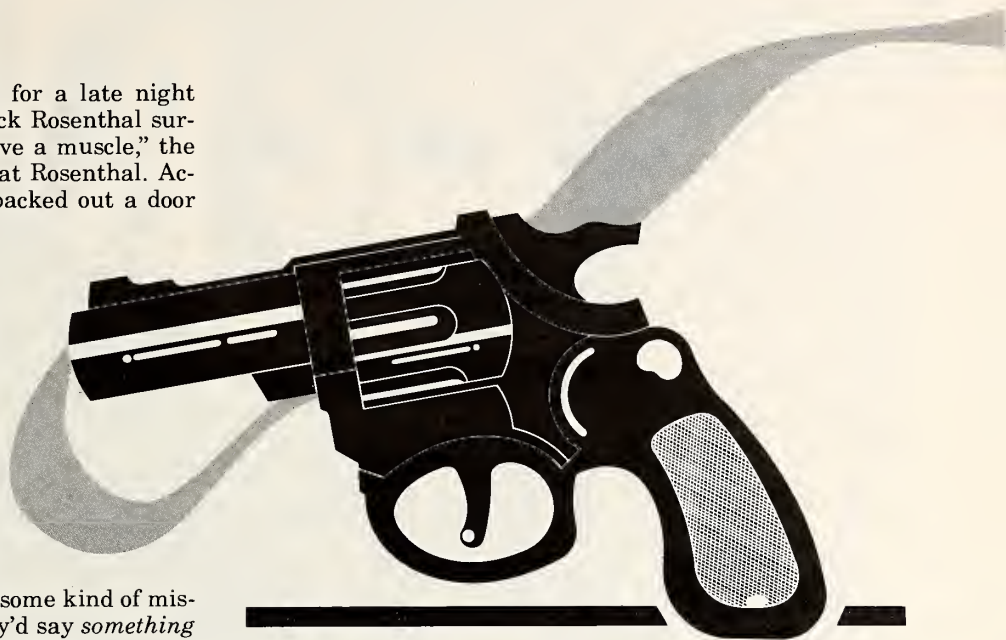
The Smith's home had been broken into twice and Doris, thinking an intruder might try to rape her, wanted a gun. Owning a gun seemed to be the most logical way to protect herself against a burglar, so her husband of more than 40 years bought her a .38 caliber pistol and told her to "shoot first and ask questions later."

One afternoon, Doris was awakened from a nap on the sofa by the sound of someone entering the front door of her apartment. Her husband, she thought, was asleep in the bedroom, so she did exactly as he had instructed. She raised the .38 and fired at the shadowy figure moving toward her from their darkened hallway. The "burglar" was her husband returning from the incinerator. He was struck in the chest and died instantly.

"Owning a gun doesn't seem to be the answer," said Bob Kenny, head of the Crime Prevention Unit in Westfield, N.J. "In most cases, you're taking your life into your hands and I'll tell you why: if an armed resident approaches a burglar, he forgets the burglar may be high on drugs or adrenalin, and he forgets the intruder will probably react violently and irrationally when cornered. If the resident loses control of his gun in a struggle, he might end up being killed or wounded with his own weapon. If the burglar has a weapon of his own, the resident is shot before he can react."

Even if you opt for owning a gun to protect your property, it's unlikely that you'll have an opportunity to use it because the average burglar is a 16-to-25-year-old male who works between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m., and is in your house less than 10 minutes. Many others are hardcore professionals who dress like average businessmen and keep similar hours.

"They turn into a residential neighborhood," said Detective Semancik, "and drive around a while looking for a home that appears to be empty. The typical daylight burglar will park somewhere near the house and knock on the



**About 24 percent of Americans keep handguns at home—double the figure of 20 years ago.**

door. If no one answers, he breaks in."

Semancik tells the story of one woman who looked out of an upstairs window and saw someone she didn't know approaching her front door. Not wishing to be disturbed by what was probably a solicitor, she ignored the bell and went on with her sewing only to hear the front door being kicked in. "She immediately called the police and we caught him," said the detective, "but that just illustrates how today's burglar operates—in broad daylight as well as at night."

A former professional burglar, now a police department consultant, confirmed the officer's description of his own *modus operandi*. "I was practically commuting to my work in the suburbs, just like a law-abiding citizen. But I traveled against the traffic—while they headed for trains bound for New York City, I headed for Westchester County and the unguarded homes left behind."

Many of the homes were protected only by a so-called watchdog, which proved of little use, yet "a well-trained guard dog can be a problem," the ex-burglar said. "However, most house dogs are friendly and hungry. If a dog barked, I'd head straight for the kitchen, get it some steak or cold cuts and go about my business. By the time it was done with lunch, I was long gone."

So, if neither guard dogs nor handguns are usually effective, what can the average homeowner or apartment dweller do to protect himself and his possessions?

Plenty.

"First of all, don't make it so easy for burglars," said Semancik. "Solicit the help of your local police department to set up a 'block watch' or 'neighborhood watch' program. In programs like these, the key is 'awareness'—getting people to know who lives around them, what kind of cars they drive, when they're home. Then, it's getting them to

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## **This jewel of a city will host the Legion's 65th National Convention, Aug. 19-25**

*Legionnaires will be whisked by monorail from the Westin Hotel (headquarters hotel for this year's convention, shown in the background) and the Seattle Center where business sessions will be conducted. The monorail makes the 2-minute, 1.2-mile trip every 6 minutes.*



**by Bruce E. Penny**

There's a jewel in your future if you plan to attend the 65th Annual American Legion National Convention, August 19-25.

Not a mite-size gem, but the giant jewel of the Pacific Northwest: Seattle, Wash., Queen City of the Evergreen State, host for the 1983 convention and now renowned as "The Emerald City."

Seattle officially became The Emerald City as the result of a slogan contest sponsored by the Seattle-King County Convention and Visitors Bureau. The monicker was chosen because, "Like an emerald, the city and nearby areas offer many facets—space, elegance, magic and beauty."

Surrounded by lush green forests against a backdrop of the snowcapped Olympic Mountains to the west and the Cascade Mountain Range to the east, and because of its temperate climate, lawns, trees, gardens and shrubbery, Seattle always offers an emerald green hue. These also are among reasons Seattle has been lauded by many national polls and publications as one of the country's "most livable" cities.

In addition, because of its tradition of friendliness, in-



comparable sightseeing opportunities, indoor and outdoor sports, first-class restaurants, cultural events, top entertainment and fine housing accommodations, Seattle is regularly hailed as one of the great places to visit.

Seattle hosted its first Legion National Convention in 1976, and ever since the clamor from those who attended has been, "When can we come back?" Well, this is the year and both city and state are preparing to again be gracious hosts to the 15-20,000 Legionnaires, Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion and affiliated organizations of the Legion family expected to attend.

There are some 5,000 first-class hotel and motel rooms available, most in the downtown area and but blocks away from the Seattle Center, where general convention sessions will be held. Seattle Center is a legacy of the 1962 Seattle World's Fair and includes among other facilities the Pacific Science Center, Space Needle, Flag Plaza and Coliseum.

Auxiliary functions will be in the spanking new Sheraton Hotel in downtown Seattle.

Conventioners will be able to ride the low-fare Monorail, also a World's Fair legacy, for the ride from city center terminus to the Seattle Center (a little over a mile in a little more than a minute). National Headquarters offices will be in the Forum, adjacent to the Arena, where general convention sessions take place. Both are in shouting range of the Monorail's Center terminus.

As in 1976, the newly expanded Westin Hotel (formerly the Washington Plaza) will be the convention headquarters hotel. A block from the city center terminus of the Monorail, its location is part of the convenience for those at the convention.

In capsule form, "convenience" will be the watchword for the convention.

The Legion parade, starting at 2 p.m. Sunday, August 21, will be convenient, between downtown and the Seattle Center. The parade won't last more than 3½ to 4 hours, leaving participants time to pursue whatever evening activities they want. There will be several hours of daylight left after the parade.

Unlike the 1976 convention, a national election year, politics will not be sharing the spotlight. However, President Reagan will be invited to speak, and Washington state Gov. John Spellman, Seattle Mayor Charles Royer and King County Executive Randy Ravelle are expected to address the delegates and guests. There also will be the

usual slate of national and international figures, such as top military leaders, diplomatic officials both foreign and domestic, the new Administrator of Veterans Affairs and others.

As at any state or national convention, much of the action will take place in the behind-the-scenes pre-convention sessions of dozens of committees and commissions. Hundreds of resolutions will be screened and those adopted by the convention will be mandates, which will set the course of the Legion in the months and years to come.

General convention sessions will be August 23-25 and culminate on the final day with election of the new National Commander to succeed 1982-83 Commander Al Keller Jr. of Illinois, elected at the Chicago convention last August.

That Seattleites and Puget Sound folk in general appreciate the bounty with which Nature endowed the area is apparent in the diversity of recreational facilities from the mountains to the seashore. While a high percentage of Seattleites are outdoors oriented, cultural aspects have not

been overlooked. There are many art galleries, museums and live theaters, and the city has earned an international reputation for its fine arts organizations.

First-time visitors quite properly will want to see the Seattle Center, a 74-acre legacy of the 1962 World's Fair over which the graceful Space Needle towers. The Needle is a good place to start, for from its revolving restaurant or observation deck one can view not only the city but also thousands of square miles of Puget Sound country. Many structures remain, including the white arches of the Pacific Science Center, Coliseum, Opera House, Flag Plaza, game and



*The USS Missouri moored at Bremerton, Wash., is the ship on which the Japanese surrendered in 1945. It is open year-round to the public.*

ride fun area and numerous others.

The view from the Needle also makes Seattle's waterborne heritage apparent. To the west, the city is flanked by salt-water Puget Sound, the Olympic Peninsula and the Pacific Ocean. To the east is 24-mile-long Lake Washington and lakes, rivers and streams in all directions.

Let's take a closer look at some of the water attractions by starting out on the waterfront, which extends from the southern edge of the city center to the north past the Lake Washington Ship Canal. The famous waterfront also is known as the Gold Rush Strip for it was here that a ship landed in 1897 with the "ton of gold" that set off the Alaska Gold Rush.

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# THE HUMAN SIDE

Powerful enough to command  
the Allied armies;  
humble enough to milk a cow  
—that was Ike

by Douglas Greene

On a cloudless afternoon in France, a small group of GIs clustered around a gray and white cow in a shed, trying unsuccessfully to relieve her swollen udder of milk. It was August 1944, in the small village of Jullouville, only recently liberated by U.S. forces after the D-Day leap across the channel.

They tugged here, squeezed there, but nothing happened. While they struggled, a husky officer stepped from his headquarters trailer and walked over to see what the commotion was all about. Mess Sergeant Marty Snyder of New York City explained that grateful citizens had presented them with the cow for fresh milk. "But," Marty said, "we can't get it to work."

Waving them aside, the officer seated himself beneath the cow's belly. Then, swiftly and expertly, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Commander of the Allied forces in World War II, proceeded to fill the pail with warm, bubbling milk.

Only a few days before, he had conferred with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill; shortly afterward he would receive a delirious welcome from the people of Paris.

That was Ike.

The man who led Freedom's armies



PHOTO: Bettmann Archive

*Gen. Eisenhower gives a group of paratroopers a final briefing before the D-Day take-off to France. Opposite page, Ike and Mamie enjoy a 1956 visit from their grandchildren at their farm in Gettysburg, Pa.*

to victory in history's greatest conflict, who dealt daily with global leaders, was one who never forgot his farm-boy origins.

This homespun nature was perhaps his most outstanding characteristic. Despite the high positions he reached, Ike never looked upon himself as anything but a "GI"—his word. One story offers revealing evidence:

In the White House, actor Robert Montgomery served as his television adviser, instructing him on the best way to utilize the medium and, not incidentally, on his physical appearance before the cameras. One morning the official presidential barber, Steve Martini, arrived at the Oval Office for Ike's weekly haircut. When he had finished, the general looked in the mirror and saw he had left much more hair than usual at the temples.

Ike stared at himself a while, then asked why? Replied the barber: "Mr. Montgomery told me to give you a fuller look there to make you appear more dignified."

The President exploded. "Never mind him," he barked. "I don't want to look like a damn movie star! I'm just a GI, so cut it that way." From then on, that's precisely what Martini did.

Uncomfortable with the requirements of protocol, he was most at ease in the company of long-time friends,



swapping Army stories and singing old songs. As his wife Mamie thumped the piano, he would harmonize in sentimental ballads such as "Tears in My Eyes" and "Down by the Old Mill Stream," but he had a tendency to belittle, which made Mamie wince. He knew scores of verses to "Abdul the Bulbul Ameer," and would sing them at the drop of an oversea's cap.

When he was elected Chief Executive, his personal friends began addressing him as "Mr. President." He accepted it as a mark of respect for the office, but as soon as he turned over the helm to the incoming John F. Kennedy, he sent a letter to a score of his closest pals. He "demanded, as my right" that they resume calling him by his old nickname. They obliged and he was "Ike" to them once again.

Ike wore no halo. He had his share of human frailties, even as the rest of us. High on the list was an easily inflammable temper that could erupt like Vesuvius on occasion. Then the veins would pop out on his neck, his face would turn beet red and, doubt-

less, his blood pressure would zoom.

Ike was not above using his temper, which became notorious, to throw reporters off the scent of a story. James C. Hagerty, his press secretary during the presidential years, told me that a number of times Ike would pretend anger at press conferences. "Later he said to me that a show of rising irrita-

**"He put aside war business to chat with the homesick private."**

tion can divert newspaper correspondents from asking too-probing questions," Hagerty, who died last year, asserted. "He called it 'playing the game' with the media."

Steeped in the perks and privileges of officerdom most of his military career, Ike enjoyed the good life. While luxury was not his bag, he did like comfort and expected to be waited on.

His orderlies generally helped him dress in the morning and attended to his every need. Once, while visiting him in England, Gen. George C. Marshall watched with amusement as an orderly helped him don his trousers. "Does he also put on your underwear?" the chief of staff asked with a broad hint of sarcasm.

His military family took care of his every need and he liked it that way. They made personal purchases for him, kept his bank account up to date, shined his shoes and put away his laundry, answered his letters, got him bridge partners, served his meals, turned down his bed (and made it, of course) and got him any movie he wished for private showing.

But, if he expected the privileges of rank, he knew and understood its duties too. One of his highest priorities was the men under his command.

When he visited a company in the field, he paid special attention to the mess facilities, making sure supplies were adequate and that the men in

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## News To Use

### Good News About Summer Moving Rates

This is the time of year when household movers traditionally raise rates and add surcharges (the warm months are their peak season). Not so this year. Movers say that rates right now are the lowest in a long time and likely will stay that way through summer.

Reasons for the unusual dip: fewer people are moving these days, so the industry has a lot of idle capacity, and government regulations on interstate moves have been eased, permitting more competitive pricing than in the past.

In intrastate moving, much the same situation prevails. While each state has its own regulations, the tendency has been to hold costs down.

Conversely, the do-it-yourself moving companies say their business has benefited by the slump, so they're branching into other services, such as packing. Current rates for renting a trailer are about \$35 per day and up; for trucks, it's \$45 and up. However, you have to make a deposit on the vehicle (customarily \$200) and likely provide your own insurance. Also, be sure to inquire about any extras before you rent, and what restrictions apply to the use of the truck or trailer.

Other points to remember: 1) moving rates probably will rise this fall, stimulated by an improving economy and more home building, 2) check your home insurance policy to see whether it covers moving damages or losses—or at least part of them, and 3) if your move is job-essential, keep an accurate record of costs because you may get a tax deduction.

### HMOs Could Be "Best Medicine"

Medical costs again are rising noticeably this year, a hardship that particularly affects those 65 or over on Medicare. Because Medicare pays only a portion of medical bills, the patient has to scrape up the rest somewhere else, usually by buying "co-insurance" from a health insurance company.

Now experts in this area are advising that the elderly not only review their existing policies, but also take a good look at a relatively recent development called health maintenance organizations (HMOs). In effect, HMOs are "one-stop shopping" operations—they not only give you coverage, but also supply complete medical services and facilities (except dental). Because of their "package" approach, the HMOs stress efficiency, preventive medicine, and a minimum of paperwork. Hence they often are able to hold down costs appreciably.

To compare what you now are paying for insurance with HMO charges, ask your Social Security board for a pamphlet entitled "Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare" (HCFA-02110). It will show you how to work out the math.

Two cautions about HMOs: 1) there may not be any in your area (your Social Security board can tell you), and 2) if you sign up with an HMO, you must use its facilities and doctors—not those of your own choice.

Incidentally, HMOs aren't just for the elderly—individuals and groups of any age are eligible.

### Money Matters That Are Making News

**Customs:** If you shop while traveling outside the United States, now you can bring back more purchases duty free—\$400 per person vs. the previous \$300 (for goods bought in U. S. possessions, such as the Virgin Islands, the exemption is \$800). If you go over the limit, the charge is 10 percent on the next \$1,000 of value.

**Interest Rates:** Money-market mutual funds hereafter can advertise their interest rates in compound as well as simple terms—a privilege that only the banks have had so far. It makes for a better comparison of the payouts offered by the two types of institutions.

**Safe Deposit Boxes:** To their dismay, holders of safe deposit boxes have learned after some recent robberies that banks usually do not insure the contents of the boxes against losses. Moral: If you have a lot of jewelry, coins, etc., in a safe deposit box, you may want to consider buying your own insurance, probably as a floater on your home policy.

By Edgar A. Grunwald



# New UDS Computer Telephones To Be Sold For Only \$10 Apiece In Mammoth Publicity Drive

*All who wish to apply for a new Computer Telephone  
should write to the company address below  
before Midnight, July 31, 1983*

NEW YORK—One million new UDS Computer Telephones with electronic memory and pushbutton dialing will be sold as part of a publicity campaign for only \$10 apiece to the first one million persons who write to the company address before Midnight, July 31, 1983.

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# Dateline Washington

## "Children's Voice" In Congress

Our country's children may not be old enough to vote, but they will now be given a voice in Congress, thanks to the newly formed Select Committee on Children, Youth and Families. Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., advocate and chairman of the group, says the United States is in the midst of a "children's gap," which represents a threat to the future security and stability of our country.

According to Miller, the Select Committee was not formed to make laws, but to study and review special problems that are faced by children and families in our society. Some 13 of 22 standing committees in Congress currently have some jurisdiction over family issues, so that effective action becomes difficult, Miller maintains.

Statistics provided by the congressman show one-third of our population is composed of children, and in taking a closer look at these youngsters it was found that over 80,000 between the ages of one and five were maltreated in 1980. Nearly 14,000, ages 12 and under, were arrested as runaways in the same year, while suicides among the young steadily increased.

## Heroin For Terminal Cancer?

Heroin, known only as an addictive narcotic to many, could supply a few restful nights for terminal cancer patients if it were allowed to be administered, says Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, D-Hawaii. He has introduced a bill to permit medical prescription of heroin for dying cancer victims when legally available painkillers will not work.

Great Britain has used heroin for many years with much success, as has Belgium, New Zealand and China, according to Sen. Inouye. Research completed at Georgetown University also found the drug to be an effective painkiller. With such positive results the senator feels use of heroin is imperative, since figures indicate that some 400,000 Americans will die from cancer this year.

Adequate safeguards have been taken to prevent the drug from filtering into illicit channels, says Inouye. The measure requires that a diagnosis first be made by the doctors, stating the patient has cancer and that pain cannot be treated with available medication. The findings must then be reviewed by the medical board of the hospital, which will administer the drug.

## Red Tape War Being Won

Thanks to the administration's war against the paper pushers, Americans can expect to have over 100 million free hours this year to do something other than complete federal forms, according to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Statistics also indicate that by the end of 1983 our citizens will have gained some 300 million hours since the launching of the 1980 Paperwork Reduction Act. That averages 79 minutes per person.

Most federal agencies have joined the battle, but the largest cutback, says OMB, will come from the Department of Transportation. Even truck drivers can expect to acquire 11 million additional hours to spend on the road, hours previously used to keep daily records. A new rule allows a variety of abbreviated forms to qualify as daily logs. The campaign against red tape is working, the OMB maintains, with the administration well ahead of the three-year goal of a 25 percent paper-chase reduction.

## PEOPLE & QUOTES

**Defending Freedom**—"... If we are prepared to go down defending human freedom, we may avoid the necessity of having to do so." **Sidney Hook**, philosopher.

**Lack Of Power Corrupts, Too**—"Lack of power is actually more interesting than power—it's more universal. Power corrupts and lack of power corrupts absolutely." **Thomas L. Hughes**, president, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

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**Scrutable Leader Of Japan**—"Often the tendency of Orientals has been to be rather vague, opaque and foggy, but my style is different." **Yasuhiro Nakasone**, new Japanese Prime Minister.

**Robots Or Else**—"... I'll guarantee you that if we don't have robots and computer design and computerized manufacturing and group technology and all of this stuff, we won't even have an automobile industry. It won't exist. We'll be in the service business—servicing Japanese cars." **Joseph Engelberger**, robot expert.

**Why Campus Is Quiet**—"Students are less active because they are panic-stricken about their vocational future. They are running scared. There is also a great deal of despair on the campus." **David Riesman**, sociologist and education expert.

**Link Over The Atlantic**—"Despite major changes on the international scene over the past 34 years, none of the reasons that made the Atlantic Alliance necessary have lost their value. As then, the people of Western Europe and those of North America are linked by the same concept of society, the same respect for man, his freedom, and his rights..." **Claude Cheysson**, French Foreign Minister.

**The Most Important Social Service**—"Despite the realities of the Soviet threat, democratic countries customarily deplore expenditures on armaments because they conflict with the requirements of social services. There is also a tendency to forget that the most important social service the government can provide for its people is to keep them alive and free." Gen. **John A. Wickham, Jr.**, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army.

**Aircraft Flotsam and Jetsam**—"Aircraft flight in the 21st century will always be in a westerly direction, preferably supersonic, to provide the additional hours needed each day to maintain all the broken parts." **Norman R. Augustine**, author.

**Trick Of Mass Insanity**—"The supreme trick of mass insanity is that it persuades you that the only abnormal person is the one who refuses to join in the madness of others, the one who tries vainly to resist. We will never understand totalitarianism if we do not understand that people rarely have the strength to be uncommon..." **Eugène Ionesco**, playwright.






**How To Judge Legislation**—"It must be good, because no one likes it." Sen. **Bob Dole**, R-Kan.

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# Veterans' Update

Legion legislative efforts hit high gear. As the 98th Congress builds momentum, various Legion officials have been called before both House and Senate committees to explain our members' positions on the variety of issues facing the nation. Here are some highlights of American Legion views offered Congress in the last few weeks.

**VA Medical Construction Program for FY 1984.** Members of the House Subcommittee On Hospitals and Health Care of the Veterans Affairs Committee were told the Legion is gratified by the manner in which the administration has responded to the ongoing need for renovation and replacement of facilities within the VA medical care system. This is evidenced by a \$319 million increase in the construction program, which brings it up to \$868 million. However, the Congressmen were told the Legion is concerned by the amount of time between the conception of a project and the completion of construction. The subcommittee heard the Legion's endorsement of one plan that would shorten the development and completion of VA construction projects by 15 months; time that would save construction dollars and enable the facilities to begin serving their veteran patients sooner.

**Congress is moving on immigration reform.** Both the House and the Senate have begun consideration of immigration bills that contain sweeping amnesty provisions. Since budget estimates indicate the replacement of 3 million employed illegals by 3 million unemployed U.S. citizens could reduce the deficit by \$75 to \$107 billion, the Legion opposes the amnesty provisions of both bills. The Legion does support sections of the bills that call for employer sanctions against the knowing hire of illegals, a tamper-proof workers' I.D. system and the strengthening of law enforcement capabilities of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. As pressures build for enactment, Legionnaires must let their Congressmen know that the extreme expense of a general amnesty is not acceptable.

**Women Veterans.** A couple of pieces of legislation concerning women military veterans received Legion scrutiny before the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee. One would establish an advisory committee on women veterans, the members of which would include women veteran representatives, recognized authorities in fields pertinent to the needs of women veterans and male and female veterans with service-connected disabilities. The committee would regularly advise the VA Administrator on the administration of VA benefits for women veterans, and the needs of women veterans with respect to compensation, health care and rehabilitation. The Legion endorsed the committee, noting they would provide important data on which to determine the needs of female veterans, and whether or not these needs are

being totally addressed by the VA. Another piece of legislation would permit the VA to pay the medical costs of a woman veteran who had had a nonservice-connected female medical problem treated outside the VA hospital with prior approval, if that VA hospital lacked the resources to furnish the necessary treatment. The Legion said they would support the legislation to the extent it was necessary, but reemphasized steps must be taken to ensure VA hospitals develop the resources to treat female-specific problems in-house. The Senate Committee was reminded that the overriding emphasis must be on ensuring male and female veterans have equal access to VA medical care.

**Other veterans' affairs legislation.** The Legion has also transmitted its views on a variety of other pending veterans' interest legislative items including; our endorsement of a one-year extension—until Sept. 30, 1985—of the period in which an eligible veteran can make an initial request for readjustment counseling through the VA Vet Center; we support the designation of the VA Administrator as a member of, and full participant in, all activities of the Cabinet and we support a VA-contracted study of the health effects of ionizing radiation on veterans exposed to nuclear weapons testing.

**Employment/training programs for veterans are receiving close scrutiny.** Last March, each of the veterans affairs committees recommended an additional \$150 million for the VA budget. The money was to fund an emergency two-year training program for veterans. In making their recommendations, each of the committees noted seemingly recalcitrant unemployment levels among veterans that consistently exceed those of non-veterans in the same age group. At press time, it's still unclear how any such program will be administered, or by what agency. But details will be reported as new authorizing legislation makes its way through Congress.

**OMB deferral action has been halted.** The House has halted an attempt by the Office of Management and Budget to rechannel \$25 million in Veterans Small Business Loan (VSBL) funds into non-veteran activities, namely to pay off the bad paper held by the Small Business Administration on previously defaulted loans. If that had happened, there would have been no program of direct federal loans specifically tailored for Vietnam and disabled veterans. In requesting deferral of these funds, OMB was reflecting a policy that sees the loan of federal funds for business activities as causing an unfair competitive advantage over private industry. In this instance, the House told OMB to spend the money on the programs for which it had been appropriated and denied their deferral request.



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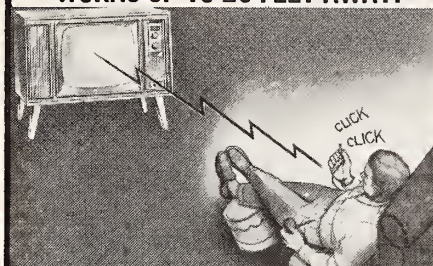
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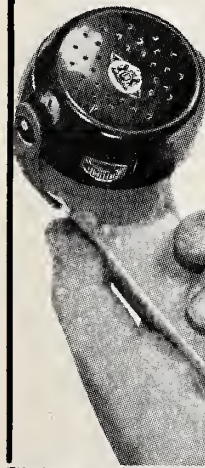
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# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES



by Maj. Dick Crossland

**T**he Army's \$2 billion bargain is 75-years-old this year. Founded in 1908 as an auxiliary to the Medical Corps, the Army Reserve today provides nearly all of the Army's Railway, Civil Affairs, Psychological Operations and Port Construction units. The Reserve also has two-thirds of the Army's medical capacity and includes a large body of individual Reservists who would fill out Regular Army units or serve as combat replacements in wartime.

The 1 million members of the Army Reserve will cost the American taxpayers \$2.1 billion in 1983, about 3.2 percent of the Army's budget. By comparison, there are 782,000 soldiers on active duty and the Army National Guard numbers somewhat more than 410,000 men and women.

From its modest beginning with a few hundred physicians, the Army Reserve has evolved into a vital partner in national defense. For example, when the Rapid Deployment Joint Task force was formed, more than 100

*At right, the gloves and ski mask may not be Army issue, but they help meet the cold-weather needs of this Army Reservist preparing for a winter airborne drop during a training exercise. Below, then Capt. Harry S. Truman, is shown with fellow Reserve officers of the 129th Field Artillery in France during WWI.*



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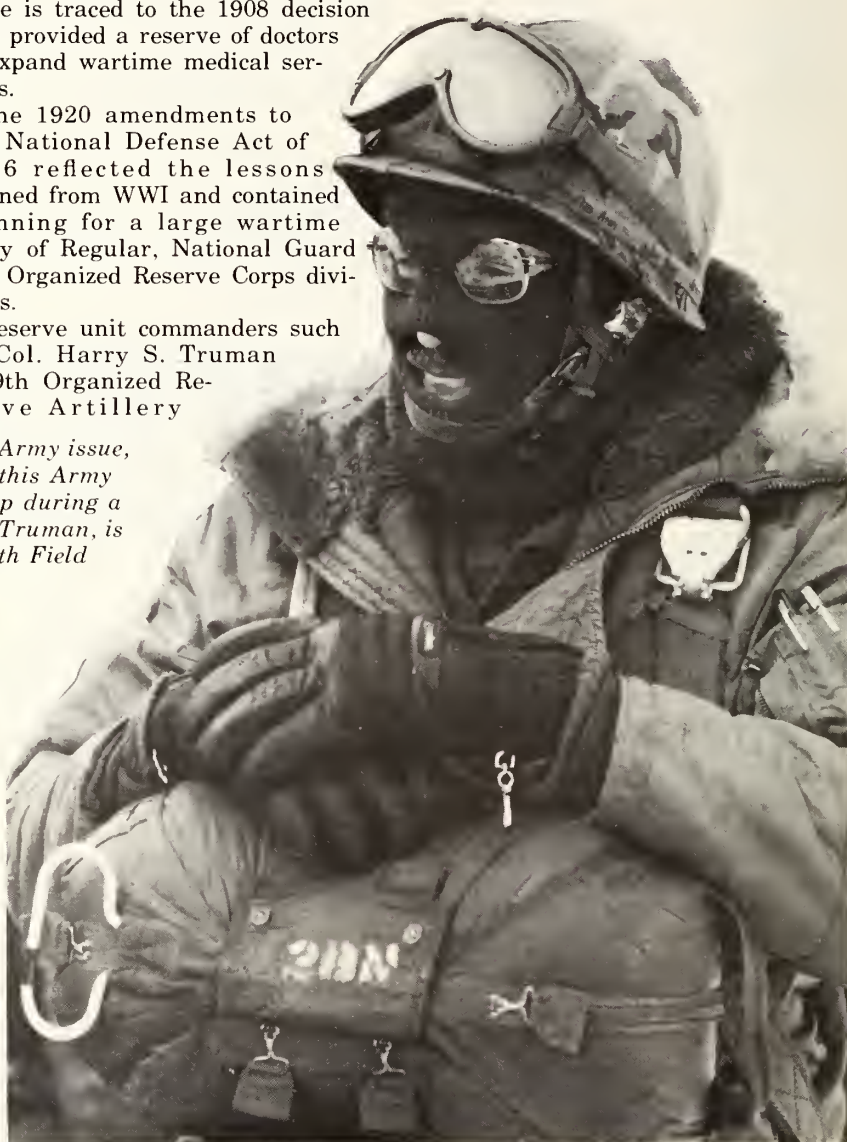
## "Reserves In Name Only" 75th Anniversary Of The U.S. Army Reserves

Army Reserve units were named to that force. And, Army Reserve units are included in virtually every major war plan from the reinforcement of NATO through the defense of Korea.

Although citizen soldiers have served America since the Revolutionary War's Minute Men, the Army took its first step toward modern reserve components with the 1903 Dick Act, which established federal funding, inspections and training for the National Guard. The formation of the Army Reserve is traced to the 1908 decision that provided a reserve of doctors to expand wartime medical services.

The 1920 amendments to the National Defense Act of 1916 reflected the lessons learned from WWI and contained planning for a large wartime army of Regular, National Guard and Organized Reserve Corps divisions.

Reserve unit commanders such as Col. Harry S. Truman (379th Organized Reserve Artillery



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*When an Air Florida plane crashed into the Potomac River last year, members of the Army Reserve's 464th Transportation Company were on the scene within an hour searching for survivors. Right, Senior ROTC cadet Annabel Rios carries her uniform to class at Saint Mary's University, San Antonio, Tex.*

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Regiment—Horsedrawn) took their units to annual training where friendly Regular Army outfits provided the necessary guns and enlisted men to fill out the ranks, but the Reserve divisions of the time were never a viable fighting force.

When Germany blitzed Poland in 1939, the United States was planning for a million-man Army under the Protective Mobilization Plan. After France fell, the National Guard was called to federal service. Within a year, more than 55,000 Reserve officers were ordered to the colors; and the Officer's Reserve Corps as it existed in 1940 eventually provided one-fourth of the Army's WWII officers.

The United States emerged from World War II with the risks and responsibilities of leadership in an unstable world. Plans called for the relatively small Regular Army to be backed by about 50 Reserve divisions totaling more than 1 million soldiers.

These were grand plans for an all-out war with mobilization spanning two years or more. The reality was in-

stead an Army Reserve composed mostly of officers in headquarters units and composite groups. They were totally inadequate as a viable military force and, as one officer described it in 1948, training consisted of a two-hour monthly conference devoted to common subjects training.

It was a deficiency not lost on The American Legion. Earlier, Natl. Cdr. Paul H. Griffith (Penn.) argued for a strong Reserve force, stating that a strong defense relied upon the citizen-soldier.

But funds were not forthcoming and the Army was thrust into the Korean War with an inadequate reserve. Partial mobilization of the Army Reserve started immediately after the outbreak of hostilities. But a lack of records, equipment and plans hampered the war effort. Eventually, 971 Army Reserve units and 168,479 Reservists were ordered to duty in five officer and three enlisted recalls.

Korea killed once and for all the idea that mobilization could be accomplished in a leisurely manner and that adequate funding of Reserve

Components was a luxury. The nation set about to correct its mistakes.

The Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 defined the three categories of reserve service in effect today. These are the Ready Reserve of men and women who may be involuntarily ordered to active duty, the Standby Reserve of those who can be called to duty only with congressional approval and the Retired Reserve who may also be called to duty during war or national emergency.

Subsequent legislation provided for a 2.9 million-member Ready Reserve, basic training for all Reserve Component enlistees, guaranteed Army Reserve units at least 48 drills and two weeks of annual active duty for training and increased the presidential authority for a call-up.

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# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES

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In short order, the Berlin crisis tested the Army Reserve again. President Kennedy ordered Guardsmen and Reservists to active duty to reinforce the country's non-nuclear capability while expanding the training base. Three weeks after mobilization, the Army Reserve's 100th Training Division was ready for its first trainees. More than 400 Army Reserve units were mobilized and nearly 40,000 Ready Reservists were called to augment Regular Army and National Guard units.

Following the sending of ground combat units to Vietnam, the Army created a 150,000 Selected Reserve Force (SRF) to fill the gap resulting from deployment of stateside Regular Army units. These citizen-soldiers received stepped-up training and represented America's tactical reserve in case of emergencies outside of Vietnam.

A call-up of Reserve and Guard forces to fight in Vietnam would have deployed nearly the entire Army overseas and would have totally committed the United States in a strategic sense. This would have thrust America upon her nuclear deterrent alone and was a powerful argument against mobilizing the Reserve components.

Nevertheless, the Army Reserve was mobilized. Following an increase in tensions after the North Koreans seized the USS *Pueblo*, the president called 24,500 Guardsmen and Army Reservists to duty on April 11, 1968. Forty-two Army Reserve units were called and 35 of these saw combat in Vietnam where their members earned 131 Bronze Stars, 454 Army Commendation Medals and 24 Purple Hearts.

Reservists weren't called to active duty only during wartime. In the '70s, Reservists handled the mails during a postal employee's strike and supported rescue operations following the destruction by Hurricane Agnes in the Northeast.

A halt to draft calls in January 1973 brought the Army into the All-Volunteer era and marked a major change in the Reserve. In addition to having to compete directly with the active forces for manpower, the Reserve Components gained a larger stake in America's first-line defense.

In the mid-'70s, the mission requirements of Army Reserve units were steadily upgraded. The increased personnel costs of the Modern Volunteer Army made expanding the active

force prohibitively expensive, forcing greater reliance on the Reserves. Many Army Reserve units were given deployment dates as short as 30 days, and some units had move out times so short that they would have to mobilize at their ports of embarkation.

Finally, two events hammered home the flexibility Reserve Components give the defense planner. The Soviet Union moved closer to fulfilling its historic ambitions in the Persian Gulf region by invading Afghanistan. The Iranian revolution cost the United States an ally, and the subsequent seizing of our embassy revealed

America's inability to react quickly in the Middle East.

The result was the formation of the Rapid Deployment Joint Task Force (RDJTF), which evolved into today's U.S. Central Command. When the operations planners began forming contingency plans for the RDJTF, they discovered their options were severely limited unless they included Reserve Component units in those deployment plans. It was the Reserves that gave the RDJTF its sustainability and flexibility.

Those Reserve units identified for RDJTF missions quickly received additional attention. They were given extra full-time personnel, supplies and more intensive training. Procurement and distribution of equipment was begun on a "first to fight, first to equip" basis and Reserve units moved to the top of the list for the series of individual bonuses that form the Selected Reserve Incentive Program.

The 1983 budget increases the Army Reserve unit strength by about 20,000, as more than 400 new Reserve units are scheduled for activation over the next five years. The current budget proposes \$200 million for supplies and equipment, including the most modern in the Army inventory; and schooling accounts will permit approximately 180,000 man-days of training in addition to weekend and annual training.

Defense planning guidance issued in May 1982 indicates increased dependence on the Reserves to achieve the Army's full mobilization capability. The Individual Ready Reserve is expected to increase in importance, while many members of the Retired Reserve have been issued mobilization preassignment orders.

"We rely on the soldiers and civilians of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve as never before," states the Army's 1983 posture statement. Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger said it another way in his 1982 annual report to the Congress: "Fiscal constraints will require our active forces to continue to rely on Reserve Components to reach their full combat potential."

But, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Omar N. Bradley said it best on June 28, 1950: "The keystone of our national security is an interested, strong and hard-working Reserve." The message wasn't understood then, General, but the word is getting through loud and clear now.

## WHERE WE STAND

During the 64th National Convention of The American Legion held in Chicago last year, two resolutions, reflecting the sense of our membership, were passed dealing with the National Guard and its role in the defense of America. They are excerpted here for your information.

Resolution 147, "Support Total Force Policy." "... today's Reserve components are an integral and essential part of the Total Force and must be capable of performing wartime missions from the outset of hostilities ... we urge the U.S. Congress to authorize and fund the National Guard and Reserve Forces to provide sufficient recruiting incentives so as to man units at authorized wartime levels (and we believe) the equipment available to the Guard/Reserve component of the Total Force must be increased in numbers, capability and compatibility with the Active Force, if the Guard/Reserve is to be expected to fulfill its assigned mission as a full partner of the Total Force ..."

Resolution 487, "Support For A Strong National Guard." "... we call upon the Congress and the various state legislatures to provide for the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard the necessary legislation and resources to insure effective personnel strength and equipment levels compatible with the regular Army and Air Force, thereby guaranteeing fulfillment of their obligations to the United States of America."



# Medical Proof Warrants AO Compensation Payments

The American Legion has concluded there is sufficient medical evidence available to warrant government compensation payments to some Vietnam veterans exposed to Agent Orange and has endorsed federal legislation that would provide such payments.

"Scientific evidence is available pinpointing three medical disorders that may be caused or aggravated by exposure to the herbicide," said Natl. Cdr. Al Keller Jr., in a recent statement to the press. "Research indicates some soft-tissue sarcomas (cancers); a condition that affects liver, blood and skin called 'porphyria cutanea tarda' and the skin lesions of chloracne can be associated with Agent Orange exposure."

Keller further noted that the Legion has been working closely with Rep. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., a member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee. Daschle has introduced legislation that would provide compensation payments to Vietnam veterans exposed to Agent Orange and suffering from these three diseases. It is legislation, Keller said, that the Legion stands ready to support in the 98th Congress.

In announcing the Legion's support of Daschle's bill, Keller said, "More than 16 months ago, Congress passed legislation authorizing priority medical treatment for these veterans at VA facilities for problems that *may* have been caused by Agent Orange, despite lack of final proof.

"It is now high time Congress take up the issue of compensating these veterans for their disabilities as scientific evidence becomes available. On behalf of its 700,000 Vietnam veteran members, The American Legion insists on it."

Daschle's bill establishes a presumption of service connection for soft tissue sarcomas, porphyria cutanea tarda and chloracne. The Legion's Resolution 410 (Iowa), passed at the National Convention in Chicago last year, directs the Legion to support legislation to establish such a mechanism for presumption of service connection, *once justified by scientific evidence.*

The evidence is varied and significant:

A series of Swedish epidemiological case control studies of agriculture and forestry workers who had been ex-

posed to herbicides containing phenoxy acids and dioxin (as in Agent Orange) reported an increased number of soft-tissue sarcomas in exposed workers.

The VA did not accept the study results because they said there were insufficient numbers of exposed individuals in the studies to make them scientifically valid.

The American Legion, on the other hand, feels the evidence in this instance has raised a level of suspected cause sufficient enough to indicate that reasonable doubt should be resolved in favor of the Vietnam veteran and service connection should be presumed for the condition. (In considering claims for veterans' benefits, VA claims boards operate under the principle that, when reasonable doubt exists in a claim, it should be resolved in the claimant's favor.)

Porphyria cutanea tarda results from a disturbance in the capacity of the body to break down hemoglobin,



which leads to high levels of porphyrins (nitrogen-containing organic compounds) in the liver and urine. The American Legion's independent review of available scientific literature has uncovered a substantial number of references to an established connection between dioxin exposure and porphyria cutanea tarda. For example, one report states, in part, that other acute toxic reactions to dioxin exposure include liver and renal damage, porphyria cutanea tarda, hyperpigmentation (discoloration of the skin), and hirsutism (abnormal hair growth).

Additionally, late last year, an international gathering of scientists met in Salzburg, Austria, to discuss findings on chlorinated dioxin and related compounds. Although no report has been issued of that gathering, The American Legion has learned symposium participants heard new and confirming evidence, including:

- Chloracne may persist in 25 to 50 percent of cases for up to 30 years after exposure to dioxin, as shown by the longest follow-up study to date of an industrial accident. Previously, scientists believed chloracne cleared up in a few years.

- Porphyria cutanea tarda may result from low chronic exposure to dioxin (as may have occurred in some Vietnam veterans).

- Hirsutism of face and hyperpigmentation may be due to porphyria cutanea tarda.

In underscoring the significance of recently disclosed evidence, and the need for prompt action, the Legion's deputy director of veterans affairs and rehabilitation, John Sommer, said, "The American Legion will push for the enactment of this legislation, while continuing to work with the Centers For Disease Control (which is preparing the major Agent Orange study) and other federal agencies involved in Agent Orange research in order to ensure a timely resolve of the questions surrounding exposure of Vietnam veterans to the toxic defoliant. This has been—and will continue to be—a top priority issue of The American Legion."

In related developments, the VA's Advisory Committee on Health Related Effects on Herbicides recently met to receive reports on the status of various scientific efforts being undertaken to resolve the questions surrounding dioxin contamination. Some of the information they received includes:

- An announcement that Dr. Han Kil Kang, an epidemiologist, will support research studies in the VA Agent Orange Projects Office. Kang comes to the VA from the Labor Department where he served as a senior epidemiologist in the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

- Findings of the Centers for Disease Control Defects Study are now slated for January 1984.

- Design for the Twin Study related to Agent Orange exposure is underway, and a protocol should be ready by the end of the year.

- Findings of the VA mortality study among Vietnam veterans should be available by December 1984.

- The preparation of four monographs is underway on environmental and occupational factors which may have an impact upon the health of military personnel who served in Vietnam. Another is planned on soft-tissue sarcoma.

The Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet again this month to receive further updates on Agent Orange-related scientific efforts. ☐



# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES

## Memorial Dedication Documentary Available

"Marching Along Together Again," the 28-minute documentary on the National Salute to Vietnam Veterans, is now available for loan or purchase from National Headquarters.

The documentary covers a number of events leading up to, and including the dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C., last November. The documentary is available in 1/2-inch (VHS) and 3/4-inch videotape and 16mm film.

Those interested in scheduling a loan of this documentary for local showing may do so through the national public relations office in Indianapolis (P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Ind. 46206). The documentary may also be purchased through National Emblem Sales at the same address. The 1/2-inch videotape is \$28, 3/4-inch videotape is \$39 and 16mm film is \$130. All prices include shipping and handling.

## TAPS

The Taps Notice mentions, whenever possible, those Legionnaires who have held high National or Department Office in the Legion, United States government, or other forms of national prominence.

**Frank Andrew Nietupski, Mass.** Alternate National Executive Committeeman (1958-59, 1962-63), Department Commander (1958-59), Department Vice Commander (1956-58).

**Harold J. Warner, National Vice Commander (1934-35), Ore.** Department Commander (1933-34), Department Vice Commander (1925-26).

**Dr. Harry Hamlin Kretzler, Sr., National Vice Commander (1960-61), National Historian (1978-79), Wash.** Department Commander (1954-55).

**Roland Haskell Haggett, Maine** Department Vice Commander (1971-72).

**Albert V. LaBiche, La.** National Executive Committeeman (1957-63), Department Commander (1955-56).

**Carl N. Espeseth, Minn.** Department Commander (1951-52).

**Ronald E. Loubert, France** Department Vice Commander (1982).

**Harold K. Davison, N.H.** Department Commander (1924-25), Department Sr. Vice Commander (1923-24).

## COMRADES IN DISTRESS • OUTFIT REUNIONS

Readers who can help these veterans are urged to do so. Usually a statement is needed in support of a VA claim.

Notices are run only at the request of American Legion Service Officers representing claimants, using Search for Witness Forms available only from State Legion Service Officers. Please contact CID # . The American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, 700 N. Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, Ind. 46206.

**USS Pilot (Am 104).** Leon W. Baker is seeking witnesses to verify a claim that in October 1945 while stationed in the Pacific area he was hit by shrapnel from an exploding mine. Contact CID 842

**"T" Co., 1013th ASU RC.** Willard D. Belanger needs witnesses to verify a claim that while stationed at Fort Devens, Mass. in winter of 1952-53 he injured his knees and back when he fell down stairs on two occasions. Contact CID 843

**"B" Sq., 413th Air Force Base Unit.** Donald E. Coverstone needs witnesses to verify a claim that while stationed at Hamilton Field, Calif. in 1946 he injured his knee during a football game and later in a basketball game. Contact CID 844

**SS Joseph L. Meek, Armed Guard.** Warren Howells is seeking witnesses to verify a claim that while aboard ship he injured his back while on duty in Naples, Italy. Contact CID 845

**"A" Co., 3rd Arm. Rec., 10th Inf. Div.** Lowell L. Johnson needs witnesses to verify a claim that while stationed at Wurzburg Army Hospital, Germany, in November 1957 he suffered from a nervous condition. Contact CID 846

**USS Joseph T. Dickson (APA 13).** Herald T. Parsons needs witnesses to verify a claim that while overseas in Feb. 1945 he suffered from spinal meningitis. Contact CID 847

**USS Eversole.** Harold Isaac Sweeney is seeking witnesses to verify a claim that while aboard ship in Oct. 1944 the ship was sunk and, as a survivor, he was treated as USN Base hospital 15 on the Island of Palau. Contact CID 848

**9th Truck Bn.** Saverio Tufano is seeking witnesses to verify a claim that while stationed in Africa in 1943 he was hospitalized for bronchial asthma, he was also hospitalized at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. on an earlier date. Contact CID 849

## American Legion Life Insurance Month Ending February 28, 1983

\$21,120 paid—age at death 53. Cause of death—ski accident. Total premium paid: \$192	
Benefits Paid January 1, 1983—	
Feb. 28, 1983	\$659,682.00
Total Interest Paid Since	
January, 1983	2,422.64
Basic Units In Force	
(Number)	262,627.5
New Applications Approved	
Since January 1, 1983	287
New Applications Declined	
Since January 1, 1983	401
New Applications Suspended	
Since January 1, 1983	253
(Applicants failed to return health form)	

"Effective January 1, 1983, a 20 percent 'across the board' increase in benefits will be extended through December 31, 1983."

The American Legion Life Insurance is an official program of the American Legion, adopted by the National Executive Committee, 1958. It is decreasing term insurance, issued on application to paid-up members of The American Legion subject to approval based on health and employment statement. Effective Jan. 1, 1983, death benefits ranged from \$100,000 (10 units through age 29, 25 in Ohio) in decreasing steps to \$125 (1/2 unit at age 75 or over). Previously, maximum was 8 units. This protection is available throughout life, as long as the annual premium is paid, the insured remains a member of The American Legion, and the Plan stays in effect. Available up to 10 units at a flat-rate of \$24 per unit a year on a calendar year basis, pro-rated during the first year at \$2 a month per unit for insurance approved after January 1. Underwritten by two commercial life insurance companies, the Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Co. of California and The United States Life Insurance Co. in the City of New York. The American Legion Life Insurance and Trust Fund is managed by trustees operating under the laws of Missouri. No other insurance may use the full words "American Legion" Administered by The American Legion Life Insurance Division, P.O. Box 5609, Chicago, Illinois 60680, to which write for further details.

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars write person whose address is given. Notice accepted on official forms only. For form send stamped self-addressed envelope to O.R. Form, American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206. Notices must be received five months before scheduled reunion. Earliest submissions are favored when the volume of notices is too great to print them all. Notice of Outfit Reunions are run only once during a calendar year.

## Army

**1st Bn., 152nd Inf., 38th Cyclone Div. (WWII)** (July-New Albany, IN) Alan Stephens, 2842 Wahoo Dr., New Albany, IN 47150 (812) 944-0400.

**1st, 18th F.A. Bns. (WWII)** (Sept.-Ft. Sill, OK) Sherlie Wyrick, 1805 Arlington, Lawton, OK 73501 (405) 355-0108

**2nd Bn., 77th, 631st F.A. (July-Corsicana, TX)** Jess Smith, Rt. 1, Box 155, Blanco, TX 78606 (512) 833-4727

**2nd Bn., 304th Ord. Regt. (WWII)** (Aug.-King of Prussia, PA) Laurence Jenkins, 2968 Duncan Ct., Wantagh, NY 11798

**4th Arm'd Div. Assn. (July-Newton, MA)** Samuel Schenker, Sr., 2440 Victoria Dr., Sharon, PA 16146

**4th General Hospital (Aug.-Hot Springs, AR)** Lee Webb, 22 Royale Dr., Van Buren, AR 72956 (501) 474-5595

**6th Inf. Div. Assn. (National)** (Aug.-Rochester, MN) Donald Dobson, 1308 S.E. Sunrise Ave., Rochester, MN 55901 (507) 282-0737

**6th Signal Co., 6th Inf. Div. (June-Chicago)** Maurice Buckley, 4125 N. Keystone, Chicago, IL 60641 (312) 777-5148

**8th Arm'd Div. Assn. (July-Nashville, TN)** Henry Rothenberg, 180 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 236-2305

**9th Inf. Div. (WWII)** (July-Detroit) Daniel Quinn, 412 Gregory Ave., Weehawken, NJ 07087

**16th Arm'd Div. Assn. (Aug.-Las Vegas, NV)** Don Millman, 4420 Woodgate Ln., Louisville, KY 40220

**17th Airborne Div. Assn. (Aug.-Memphis, TN)** Edward Siegiej, 62 Forty Acre Mountain Rd., Danbury, CT 06810 (203) 748-3958

**19th Combat Engrs. (WWII)** (July-New Port Richey, FL) Pete Ferrugi, 616 2nd Ave. E., New Port Richey, FL 33552

**19th (C) Engrs. (Western)** (WWII) (Sept.-Anaheim, CA) A.E. Asp, 1905 Dartmouth Ct., Modesto, CA 95350 (209) 522-3310

**21st Aviation Engr. Regt. (Sept.-Dayton, OH)** Calvin Eckert, Rt. 3, Box 316, Dillsburg, PA 17019 (717) 766-6511

**22nd C.A. (Harbor Defenses-Portsmouth, NH)** (WWII) (Sept.-Portsmouth, NH) Richard Toomey, Box 196, New Castle, NH 03854 (603) 431-6242

**23rd Gen. Hospital (June-Chicago)** Ervin Gandrug, 1122 15th Ave. S., Grand Forks, ND 58201 (701) 755-8394

**23rd Inf. Regt., 2nd Inf. Div. (Korea)** (July-Dallas) W.W. Woods, 8220 Chesterfield Dr., Knoxville, TN 37919 (615) 693-1625

**25th F.A. Bn. (Puerto Rico, ETO)** (WWII) (July-Gettysburg, PA) F.J. Topper, 10 Jefferson St., Hanover, PA 17331 (717) 632-8142

**32nd Vets Div. Assn. (Sept.-Grand Rapids, MI)** Theron Rose, 1025 Merritt St. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49507 (616) 245-5150

**34th Inf. Div. Assn. (Tri-State Chapter)** (July-Hillsdale, MI) John Mahl, 37252 Sugar Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville, OH 44039 (216) 327-8150

**37th Div. Vets Assn. (Sept.-Cleveland)** 37th Vets Div. Assn., 65 S. Front St., Rm. 707, Columbus, OH 43215 (614) 228-3788

**43rd Inf. Div. Assn. (Winged Victory Div.)** (Sept.-Farmington, CT) Sal Puglisi, Penfield Hill Rd., Portland, CT 06480 (203) 342-1342

**44th Cav. Rcn. Tr. (July-Mt. Laurel, NJ)** Frank Obenhaus, 1641 Chestnut Ave., Haddon Hts., NJ 08035 (609) 947-6778

**44th Engr. Combat Bn. (WWII)** (Aug.-Pekin, IL) Lloyd Black, Jr., Box 143, Clarksville, GA 30523 (404) 754-2427

**44th Evac. Hospital Unit** (May-Winston-Salem, NC) Mary Jones, 2026 Elizabeth Ave., Winston-Salem, NC 27103 (919) 722-3381

**45th General Hospital (WWII)** (June-Lancaster, PA) Frank Zahemski, 244 Maryland Ave., Paterson, NJ 07503 (201) 278-4543

**48th Troop Carrier Sq., 313th Group, 29th, 47th, 49th Sqdns.** (Aug.-St. Louis) Dameron Owen, 4616 Tukaseegee Rd., Charlotte, NC 28208 (704) 392-9452

**49th Air Depot Group** (Nov.-San Antonio, TX) Howard Caylor, 107 Cherokee Ln., Hill Country Vlg., San Antonio, TX 78232

**68th Medical Regt. (June-Maplewood, MN)** George Lindbeck, 5432 Williams St., White Bear Lake, MN 55110 (612) 429-0239

**76th Inf. Div. (June-San Francisco)** E.C. Cutler, Jr., Rt. 2, Box 68, Jackson Ave., New Windsor, NY 12550 (914) 496-6808



77th Division (June-Downington, PA) Frederick Schaefer, 77th Div. Assn., 150 E. 39th St., New York, NY 10016 (212) 889-7766

81st Inf. (Wildcat) Div. (Aug-Omaha, NE) Robert Schweih, 2842 S. Emerald Ave., Chicago, IL 60616 (312) 225-4062

83rd Inf. Div. Assn. (WWII) (Aug-West Palm Beach, FL) Robert Derickson, 3749 Stahlheber Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013 (513) 863-2199

84th Inf. Div. (Railsplitters) (Aug-Harrisburg, PA) Secretary National Hdqtrs., Box 26, Ft. Myers, FL 33902 (813) 936-3570

88th Engr. Heavy Pontoon Bn. (WWII) (Aug-Portsmouth, NH) Frank Palazzo, 122 Folly Mill Rd., Box 321, Seabrook NH 03874 (603) 474-2686

89th Inf. Div. Band, 353rd Inf. Band, 89th Div. Atry. Band. (WWII) (July-LaCrosse, WI) Albert Anderson, 522 Plainview Rd., LaCrosse, WI 54601 (608) 783-4680

94th Inf. Div. Assn. (July-Philadelphia) Ross Jordan, 1415 Orion Rd., Batavia, IL 60510 (312) 879-7157

95th Evac. Hospital (WWII) (Sept-Kansas City, MO) Elbert Harris, 8511 Greenwood St., Raytown, MO 64138 (816) 356-8250

101st C.A. AA Bn. (WWII) (July-Savannah, GA) Lee Johnson, 1440 Blue Rd., Coral Gables, FL 33146 (305) 666-3025

103rd Div. (July-Appleton, WI) Rev. H.T. Ellsworth, 8240 Moreland, Jerome, MI 49249 (517) 688-9249

112th Combat Engrs. Bn. (June-Cleveland) Emery Zbin, 4264 W. 58th St., Cleveland, OH 44144 (216) 351-1486

113th Cavalry Regt., 125th Sq. (July-Cedar Rapids, IA) George Reeve, 4701 Korff Rd. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

120th Ordnance Co. (MM) (Aug-Marietta, GA) Ed McConaghy, 3050 Hidden Forest Ct., Marietta, GA 30060 (404) 422-8142

125th AAA Gun Bn. (MBL) (July-Columbus, OH) E.E. Ballert, Box 585, Bryan, OH 43306 (419) 636-3028

148th Ord. Motor Vehicle Assembly Co. (Sept-Atlanta) Edward Martin, 127 Quail Hollow Rd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 (803) 293-3364

157th Inf. Regt. (WWII) (Aug-Oklahoma City) Felix Sparks, 7900 W. 23rd Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215 (303) 233-2369

160th F.A. Bn. (WWII, Korea) (Sept-Checotah, OK) Joseph Cherry, 7445 E. 29th St., Tulsa, OK 74129 (918) 627-2063

165th Engr. Combat Bn. (September) Harvey Mitchell, Box 1702, Burlington, NC 27216

183rd F.A. Bn. (Aug-Tacoma, WA) Leland Daly, 13987 Madrona Rd. SW, Port Orchard, WA 98366 (206) 876-4230

183rd Signal Repair Co. (Sept-Sun City, AZ) James Donnelly, 11070 Oak Ridge Rd., Sun City, AZ 85351 (602) 977-2491

187th Airborne Regt. Combat Team Assn. (July-Fort Bragg, NC) Jim Bockman, 3066 St. Clair, Auburn Hts., MI 48057 (313) 852-2122

194th Ordnance Depot Co. (Aug-St. Louis) Lynn Cupples, 2751 County Rd. 313, Bluffton, OH 45817 (419) 358-6456

209th F.A., 161st F.A. Regt. 2nd Bn. (WWII) (June-Chanute, KS) H.E. Harding, 814 South "A" St., Arkansas City, KS 67005 (316) 442-6053

214th C.A. (AA) (GA) MG (Aug-Gainesville, GA) Dupree Hendrix, 511 E. Spring St., Monroe, GA 30655 (404) 267-5535

222nd Inf. (Rainbow) (July) Clovis Brakebill, 3342 Dartmoor Dr., Dallas, TX 75229

224th Airborne Med. Co., 17th Airborne Div. (Aug-Ft. Myers Beach, FL) Edmund Wientczak, 9313 David Rd., Garfield Hts., OH 44125 (216) 341-0695

235th F.A. Obsv. Bn. (Aug-Lawton, OK) Jack Barber, 504 Crestview Dr., Madison, WI 53716 (608) 222-2705

235th General Hospital (July-Portland, OR) Herbert Mosch, 5224 N. Princeton, Portland, OR 97203 (503) 285-2001

248th F.A. Bn., Btry. B, 178th F.A. Regt., Btry. E (Aug-Marion, SC) F.E. Brown, Jr., 1711 Furman Dr., Florence, SC 29501 (803) 662-2395

250th F.A. Bn. (June-Hot Springs, AR) Milton Broussard, 108 Felecie Dr., Lafayette, LA 70506 (318) 981-1418

279th Engr. Combat Bn. (WWII) (Aug-Akron, OH) Carl Effler, 840 Ormsby Dr., Akron, OH 44313 (216) 864-6775

300th Comhat Engr. Bn. (June-Dallas) Marcus Brod., 12514 Tammarack, Houston, TX 77013 (713) 453-2591

301st Signal Oper. Bn. (WWII) (Sept-Cherry Hill, NJ) Dominic Zambano, 163 New Hope Ln., Williamstown, NJ 08094 (609) 629-4648

304th, 610th Ordnance Bns. (Sept-Niagara Falls, NY) Henry Lusch, 28363 Dising Dr., Madison Hts., MI 48071 (313) 547-3555

306th Ord. Maint. Co. (AA) (WWII) (July-Milwaukee) P.J. Abruzzese, 115 St. Andrew Rd., East Boston, MA 02128 (617) 289-2740

316th Station Hospital (WWII) (Sept-England) Ralph Pope, 1452 Kumer Ave., Dayton, OH 45406 (513) 275-6473

337th, 1338th Engrs. (Aug-Greenville, SC) Bill Richter, 4 Sturbridge Dr., Rt. 10, Greenville, SC 29607 (803) 288-1667

339th Service Sq. (WWII) (Sept-Atlanta) Jack Beck, 413 Park Dr., Waynesboro, GA 30080 (404) 554-2271

344th Ord. Depot Co. (Sept-Woburn, MA) Ben Phillips,

## Pause For Pledge Time Change Made

The annual Flag Day "Pause for the Pledge" of Allegiance will be coming at a new time in 1983.

For the past three years the "Pause"—where Americans nationwide take a moment on Flag Day to recite the Pledge of Allegiance—has been conducted at 4 p.m. EDT. But on June 14, 1983, the "Pause" will come at 7 p.m.

The time change was made necessary this year because the list of activities at Fort McHenry, the focal point of the Flag Day observance, has grown too long. The "Pause" is the culmination of the day-long ceremony.

According to Flag Day committee representatives, the idea for a "Pause for the Pledge" originated in 1980 at the Star-Spangled Banner Flag House in Baltimore, Md. During its early years the concept gained acceptance around the country supported by a broad spectrum of individuals, organizations and businesses.

The American Legion has been involved with the "Pause for the Pledge" idea from the beginning. Once again this year Legion leaders are promising their full support.

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356th Fighter Group (WWII) (July-Northbrook, IL) Ken Male, 2219 Garden Dr., Schenectady, NY 12306 (518) 377-3618

385th AAA AW Bn. (July-Greensboro, NC) Douglass Cochran, 420 Belvedere Rd., Hagerstown, MD 21740 (301) 733-6312

389th Port Bn. (Sept-Callicoon, NY) Russell Carl, 710 Chimes Rd., Paramus, NY 07652 (201) 445-9771

411th AAA Gun Bn. (WWII) (July-Williamsburg, VA) Edgar Gusler, 1110 W. 3rd St., Marion, IN 46952 (317) 664-2227

456th Ord. Evac. Co. (Aug-Cherry Hill, NJ) John Nevins, 420 Narragansett Dr., Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 (609) 667-8179

466th AAA Bn. (Northeastern Chapter) (July-Richmond, VA) Robert Pearson, 117 Bassett St., New Haven, CT 06511 (203) 624-4958

475th AAA AW Bn. (June-Esby, PA) Harold Hartzell, 2449 2nd St., Esby, PA 17815 (717) 784-8288

501st Parachute Inf. Regt. Assn. (July-Grand Rapids, MI) Bill Sefton, 355 Plymouth St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506

503rd MP Bn. (A) (WWII) (Aug-Elizabethtown, KY) Joseph Cadoux, 2706 Sequoia Dr. H, New Port Richey, FL 33552 (813) 847-6798

507th Parachute Inf. Regt. Assn. (WWII) (July-St. Paul, MN) Roland Duff, 6908 Cornelia Dr., Minneapolis, MN 55435 (612) 927-9125

508th Parachute Inf. Regt. (WWII) (Sept-Portland, OR) Jim Allardice, 335 Ardussi, Frankmunth, MI 48734 (517) 652-6284

535th Ord. H.M.F.A. Co. (Sept-Amarna, IA) Evan Elliott, Box 176, Deep River, IA 52222 (515) 595-3442

537th QM Bn. (Aug-Cincinnati) Robert McCormick, 180 Hollywood Blvd., Xenia, OH 45385 (513) 372-7280

551st Engr. (H) Pontoon Bn. (June-Schenectady, NY) Joseph Murphy, 180 Dartmouth St., Schenectady, NY 12304 (518) 377-0821

551st QM (RHD) Co. (Aug-Denver) Lowell DeLong, 480 Harvard, Gladstone, OR 97027 (503) 656-6423

552nd Engr. (H) Pontoon Bn. Assn. (June-York, PA) Warren Snyder, 625 N. 19th St. Allentown, PA 18104 (215) 433-2650

553rd Engrs. (H) Pon. Bn. (Sept-Toledo, OH) Robert Calender, 1107 Harvey St., Green Bay, WI 54302 (414)

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555th Railroad Co. (WWII) (June-St. Paul, MN) Carl Ross, 1351 Conway, St. Paul, MN 55106 (612) 774-0442

566th QM Railroad Co. (Aug-White Pigeon, MI) Vincent Spore, White Pigeon, MI 49099 (616) 483-9366

611th O.B.A.M. Bn. (WWII) (Aug-King of Prussia, PA) Robert Dollar, 277 Larkspur Ln., King of Prussia, PA 19406

627th QM Refrig. Co. (Sept-Lewis, IN) C.D. Griffith, Box 174, Lewis, IN 47858 (812) 495-6595

643rd Tank Destroyer Bn. (WII) (Sept-Waterville, ME) Daniel Pagliarulo, Rt. 1, Box 180, Dixmont, ME 04932 (207) 947-0548

661st Tank Destroyer Bn. (May-Scottsdale, AZ) William Beswick, Box 576, West Point, VA 23181 (804) 843-2696

689th Ord. Ammo Co. (WWII) (Sept-Dayton, OH) Robert Kneisly, 542 Lewis Dr., Fairborn, OH 45324 (513) 878-4946

693rd E.B.E. Co. (WWII) (Aug-Cleveland) George Cozad, 412 Anderson St., Sandusky, OH 44870 (419) 625-9500

709th Tank Bn. (WWII) (Aug-Philadelphia) Louis Montagna, 437 E. Loudon St., Philadelphia, PA 19120 (215) 455-9403

722nd Engr. Depot Co. (Sept-Niagara Falls, NY) William Szabo, 626 80th St., Niagara Falls, NY 14304 (716) 283-9183

722nd Railway Oper. Bn. (WWII) (Sept-Memphis, TN) Robert Seeley, 527 Gaines St., Elmira, NY 14904 (607) 734-7782

741st Tank Bn. (July-Clearwater, FL) Richard Brahm, 1682 MacDonnell Ct., Palm Harbor, FL 33563 (813) 785-5283

751st Tank Bn. (M) (Sept-St. Louis) Lester Pollmann, 413 E. Washington, Owensville, MO 65066 (314) 437-2471

754th Tank Bn. Assn. (WWII) (July-Harrisburg, PA) Michael Stepien, 122 Churchill St., McKees Rocks, PA 15136 (412) 771-0510

755th Tank Bn. (July-Houston) Robert Moore, Box 270082, Houston, TX 77277

756th Engr. Parts Supply Co. (Sept-Boston) Wilbur Jackson, 118 W. Center, Troy, IL 62294 (618) 667-6552

777th Tank Bn. (May-Scottsdale, AZ) Clarence Marshall, 101 Stephen St., New Kensington, PA 15068 (412) 335-3224

779th Engr. Petroleum Distr. Co. (July-Cleveland) Theodore Dojny, 7133 Bay Dr., Miami Beach, FL 33141 (305) 864-8787

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826th Amphibian Tractor Bn. (WWII) (Aug-Denver) J.D. Williams, 1401 Venice St., Longmont, CO 80501 (303) 776-7307

836th Engr. Avn. Bn. (Aug-Beaumont, TX) Lyle Carrier, 7248 Big Hand Rd., St. Clair, MI 48079

957th F.A. Bn. (WWII) (June-Fargo, ND) George Fowler, Box 2342, Fargo, ND 58108

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1620th MP Co. (Camp McCoy, WI) (1941-45) (July-Rhineland, WI) Delta Olson, Rt. 4, Squash Lake, Rhineland, WI 54501 (715) 282-5878

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3482nd Ordnance Co. (MAM) (WWII) (Aug-Chatanooga, TN) Gaston Crowe, 2812 Rainbow Forest Dr., Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 284-6090

3710th QM Truck Co. (Sept-Lincoln, NE) John Jackman, Louisville, NE 68037

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"B" Btry., 534th AAA (AW) (Sept-Sedalia, MO) Verle Craven, 405 N. Main, Erie, KS 66733 (316) 244-3237

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"E" Co., 341st Engrs. (WWII) (Sept-Denver) James Thomas, 709 San Juan Ave., LaJuna, CO 81050 (303) 384-4635

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LST 372 (WWII) (Sept-Albany, NY) Francis Cunningham, 14 Sunsetview Ave., Troy, NY 12180 (518) 272-0718

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**USS Admiral Benson (AP 120) (WWII)** (July-San Francisco) John Ondak, 3321 W. 85th St., Chicago, IL 60652

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**USS Enterprise (CV 6) (National)** (July-Milwaukee) Ed Doss, 1576 S. Forrest Rd. Westport, WA 98595 (206) 268-9742

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**USS Holder (DDE 819) (1948-50)** (July-Rochester, NY) Robert Graves, 2104 Hampton Blvd., Rochester, NY 14612 (716) 865-5471

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**USS LSM (R) 193** (Aug-Columbia, MO) George Hansen, 1504 Golf Blvd. Rt. 6, Columbia, MO 65202 (314) 474-4565

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**USS Marsh (DE 699)** (Aug-Long Beach, CA) John F. Cullinan, 36235 N. Mill Ct., Gurnee, IL 60031 (312) 356-2637

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**USS Pittsburgh (CA 72)** (Sept-Nashville, TN) J.C. Ayers, Box 74, Wildwood, GA 30757 (404) 820-1601

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**USS Pyro (AE 1)** (Sept-Dubuque, IA) Paul Simon, 52 Bluff St., Dubuque, IA 52001 (319) 583-9985

**USS Rapidan (AO 18)** (July-Culpeper, VA) Robert Coggins, 15 Egret Ct., Newark, DE 19702 (302) 834-5363

**USS Renville (APA 227)** (June-San Diego) Robert Clark, 9818 Conejo Rd., Santee, CA 92071 (619) 449-4864

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## Founder Ferguson Dies in West Virginia

Gurnett E. "Cap" Ferguson, a founder of The American Legion, died recently in Charleston, W. Va. He was 94.

Ferguson, who attended the St. Louis Caucus of the Legion, served as a captain in the 365th Infantry during WWI. He was reported to have been the youngest captain and only black officer to command a transport group during the war.

Following the war, he returned to Charleston where he helped establish the area's first black Legion Post, later named Charles E. Young Post 57 in West Virginia.

Ferguson was a well-known civic and political leader in the Charleston area, where he was credited with being the driving force behind much of the advancements in housing and recreational facilities for blacks in the early years. Additionally, he served for many years on city, county and state Republican party executive committees and was appointed state director of the Bureau of Negro Welfare and Statistics.

Gurnett E. Ferguson, son of a West Virginia miner, pyramided courage, foresight and a concern for human dignity into a career of service to his race, city, state and nation.

**USS Thomas Jefferson (APA 30)** (Aug-Lancaster, PA) Bernard Fischer, 923 May Rd., Lititz, PA 17543 (717) 626-0850

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**The Mustangs (England, 1943-45)** (June-Garden Valley, CA) Nathan Chamberlain, Box 511, Garden Valley, CA 95633 (916) 333-1888

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**"B" Co., 5th Medical Bn., 5th Marine Div.** (July-Turner Falls, MA) Francis Ebenkamp, 1413 Maute St., Jasper, IN 47546 (812) 482-1629

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**VMB 423** (July-Hershey, PA) Robert Nicolodi, 2218 Dover Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17112 (717) 545-9752

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**China-Burma-India Vets Assn. (National)** (July-Las Vegas, NV) B.F. Godfrey, 305 N. Interurban #7, Richardson, TX 75081 (214) 680-2369

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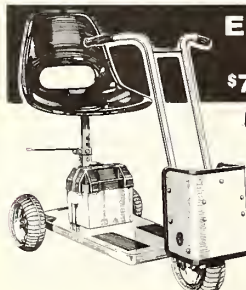
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**Paradoxes of Power, The Military Establishment in the Eighties**, by Adam Yarmolinsky & Gregory D. Foster. INDIANA UNIVERSITY PRESS, PUB., \$15. The dominant of the four paradoxes of power described here is one familiar to most Legionnaires: Peace through Strength, we say. The authors call it the paradox of deterrence. There are also the paradoxes of limited response, the military bureaucracy and peace. This is a cogent discussion of the need for a strong national defense system in this country—for our sake as well as the world's. And it is a convincing tract on the importance of America's military leadership role in an increasingly threatening world.



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## For The Road

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by an intoxicated driver, charges: "Judges drink and drive, juries drink and drive, D.A.s drink and drive. They're going to have sympathy for the driver, not the victim."

Lawyers rely heavily on implanting the idea that, but for the grace of God, His Honor or any of the ladies and gentlemen of the jury could be sitting in the defendant's chair.

It works all too often, reports an organization called RID-USA, (Remove Intoxicated Drivers). As far as drunk driving is concerned, RID asserts in a recent report, the U.S. judicial system "generally operates in a total vacuum." Usually, RID says, victims are not informed about the time or dates of when persons accused of DWI will be arraigned or tried. When the victims or their relatives do show up in court, they are sometimes treated as "troublemakers."

Says RID: "One judge had the gall to tell a woman who lost her son when a drunk driver first knocked him down and then drove over his head while leaving the scene, to stay out of the court lest she become emotional and cry. When she refused, he directed her to sit in the back row."

The police are also part of the bottleneck in the enforcement system. Diane K. Steed, NHTSA deputy administrator, told a Senate committee last year at a hearing on the problem: "Police too often are reluctant to arrest drunk drivers. There are several reasons: procedures are time-consuming; arrest of drunk drivers has not become a high priority; courts may be unable to handle the case load."

In addition, police are hamstrung by state laws governing the stopping of suspected drunks. Many states bar officers from acting unless they have a "reasonable" suspicion, so only the obviously boozed-up drivers are halted and others are allowed to drive on. In many states, too, motorists can refuse to take preliminary breath tests at roadside or walk a straight line, while in some they can also say "no" to testing at the police station.

Finally, the leniency accorded drunk drivers reflects the attitude that they are not criminals, but persons with drinking problems. As one judge on Long Island told a news reporter: "If you can correct that problem, chances are you aren't going to see him again." However, until the problem is corrected, nobody knows how many people may be killed or crippled.

Thanks to the new crusaders, some of this is changing. For the first time something is being done to curb what MADD calls "this socially accepted form of murder."

There is even a campaign in the liquor industry, which only this past summer pledged to President Reagan its "increased efforts to help reduce the tragedies associated with drunk driving." F. A. Meister, president of the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States, said, "We're not trying to reshape the world, but to make it a safer place to live. It is definitely better not to drive after drinking."

Most significant is that, on both federal and state levels, sharp teeth are being put into the laws. State after state is enacting tough legislation aimed at grounding and jailing the alcohol-impaired driver.

For example, New York now fines and/or jails up to 15 days even first offenders who have only .05 BACs (and remember how little gets you there), up to a year or more and a \$500 fine for the second conviction or for having a .1 percent BAC or higher. All convictions also carry mandatory license suspensions from three to six months, and there's a lifetime revocation if there is a second DWI conviction, involving injury, in a 10-year period.

Tougher laws are also being put on the statute books in California, Oregon, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia, among others. Maryland bit the bullet and enacted a law allowing police to test a motorist's BAC right on the road. Arrests have zoomed 45 percent and car-crash deaths have dipped a whopping 20 percent in the two years since the law was passed.

In Minnesota, the license of a driver with a .1 BAC is suspended automatically for 90 days without waiting for the cumbersome machinery of the law to start grinding. Wisconsin also lifts licenses before a trial on alcohol-linked driving arrests.

In late 1982, New York made it illegal for anyone under the age of 19 to buy alcohol. A move is under way to hike it to 20 or 21. New Jersey just raised the legal drinking age to 21, becoming the 16th state to do so.

In 26 other states, bills to raise the legal imbibing age are being considered. The move is sure to help, lawmakers say, citing studies such as the one at Duke University that revealed a 7 percent average rise in drunk driv-

ing deaths between 1970 and 1977 in states where the drinking age had been lowered to 18 from 21.

A blue-ribbon Presidential Commission, created last April, is studying ways to aid states and local communities to battle the peril. In addition, Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and Rep. Michael D. Barnes, D-Md., have introduced a bill encouraging states to enact tough laws as a condition for receiving their annual U.S. highway safety funds, which total some \$200 million yearly.

What can we, as citizens, do to help get the drinking driver off the roads? An approach keyed to two words—laws and education—could help shrink the toll significantly.

Stricter DWI legislation has had dramatic effects elsewhere, reports the NHTSA, which cites the reduction in fatalities in Great Britain, New Zealand, and other countries where severe penalties have been imposed.

If there's any doubt education works, Georgia's experience a few months ago should dispel it. Following a concentrated public awareness program that included TV commercials, talks with teen-agers at home, lectures and mailings, drunk driving deaths were the lowest in 70 years.

The NHTSA adds it up: "Education is by far the most potent weapon available in the struggle. We can't make much headway in changing the way people act unless we change the way they think."

For more information about what you can do to help curb alcohol-related death and injury on our highways, write to either MADD, 5330 Primrose Avenue, Suite 146, Fair Oaks, Calif. 95628 or to RID-USA, P.O. Box 520, Schenectady, N.Y. 12301. ☐

*EDITOR'S NOTE: By action of the National Executive Committee, The American Legion supports model federal legislation that would curtail those convicted of drunk driving by a statewide and nationwide record keeping system capable of identifying repeat offenders. The Legion also advocates adoption of a program coordinated with local communities that includes adequate enforcement and public information efforts, efficient arrest and adjudication procedures, monitoring to assure compliance with court-ordered sanctions, and pre-sentence screening of offenders for sanctioning purposes.*



## Quiz

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10. (c.) It was 5,779 Japanese vs. 17 U.S.

11. (b.) Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger and the U.S. 6th Army landed on the east coast of Leyte, establishing two beachheads. Four hours after that landing, Gen. MacArthur came ashore.

12. The Martin Marauder, a medium weight bomber, was known as the Flying Prostitute because it had no visible means of support. It was also called the Widow Maker for a time after it began service in 1942 because it was said to be unsafe.

13. Major Martin. The body had an attaché case replete with "secret" communications indicating the British would land in Greece or Sardinia instead of Sicily. The Germans believed the ploy, but the Italians were not convinced.

14. Former Naval Person, which he seemed to delight in. Churchill had been in charge of the Admiralty at times during both World Wars.

15. The Allied code name for the beginning of the assault on Berlin, April 16, 1945.

16. That the American pilot had successfully bailed out of an aircraft. Possession of a parachute ripcord handle was considered proof.

17. "You're underpaid, undersexed and under Eisenhower."

18. The command "Away all boats," and the Lord's Prayer.

19. A complete set of dental tools and supplies. He had taken poor care of his teeth in his younger days.

20. The bazooka, the jeep, the A-bomb and the DC-3.

21. Fellow actor and future President of the United States, Capt. Ronald Reagan.

22. Rep. Lyndon Baines Johnson of Texas, later senator, senate majority leader and President of the United States.

23. The 17 breweries and the weather bureau operated without interruption.

24. The thousands of plumbers, carpenters, electricians, power equipment operators and other civilian craftsmen who became Navy "engineers" in the Construction Battalions. They were called Seabees (CBs) and were involved in every operation in the Pacific during the war.

25. Guam had been the Japanese main liquor distribution center for the Central Pacific. Scotch, beer, bourbon, rye and sake were left for the leather-necks in great amounts. ★

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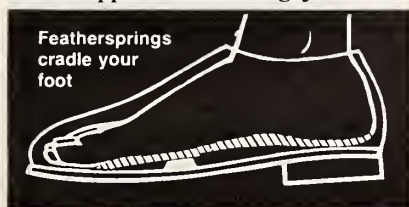


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# Invader

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Detective Kenny of the Westfield, N.J., Crime Prevention Unit thinks its important to avoid actions that tell any alert burglar that your home is empty. "For instance," he said, "don't run an errand and leave your garage door open, or leave a note for the delivery man in case you miss him while you're gone. Have a neighbor use your trash cans while you're on vacation and install timers on both your lights and TV or radio—tune it to a station or channel that has frequent talk shows."

Other safety measures include:

- Installing double-cylinder deadbolts or dropbolt locks with case-hardened steel collars and rolling porcelain inserts in their locking bars. These require a key to open and lock—both from the inside and out—and they're extra tough to force open, even for a pro.

- When you're going to be away for a few days, keep outside lights off during daylight hours by using a timer. Do such obvious, but often forgotten, things such as stopping mail, milk and paper delivery.

- Don't tell strangers that you're going to be away; don't announce your vacation in the local newspaper's society page until after you return. Don't tell police that you won't be home—a prowling police car is a sure tip to a professional burglar that a house is empty.

- Leave an old bike or some cheap lawn tools on the front lawn—make the outside of your home appear to be "lived in."

- Never hide a duplicate key outside—burglars know all the hiding places; they've been checking them for years.

- Install removable drop bars or key locks on sliding glass doors. To keep this type of door from being lifted off its runners, screw several heavy sheetmetal screws into the upper track.

- To prevent a burglar from break-

ing into your home with your own tools, lock your tool shed and garage.

- Install an electronic alarm system that has been approved by Underwriter's Laboratory. Look under "burglar alarm systems" in your telephone book and check out several—some insurance-approved systems can save you from 4 to 10 percent on your theft insurance. Make sure whatever system you buy has a battery backup—burglars work quickly during blackouts. Since burglar alarm systems have only recently become widely used, it would be well to know that there are two main types of systems: wireless and wired. Both protect doors and windows and each has its advocates.

The wired system links all protected windows and doors in a continuous electric circuit. Any break in the circuit triggers the alarm or, if so equipped, signals the local police precinct via an automatic dialer. One advantage of the wired system is that it monitors itself. If there's a break in

## These tips will lessen your chances of becoming a victim.

the system anywhere—through malfunction, open window or whatever—you will know it when you arm the system because a light or buzzer will activate. On the other hand, wireless systems tend to be operated by independent battery-powered transmitters that send a signal when a window or door is jarred.

Yet, wireless systems have advantages, too. Advocates claim that they are the wave of the future because wired systems are hard to repair and, more important, if there is a break anywhere, the entire system is rendered inoperative. Also, the wireless system can be installed easily by residents. All agree, though, that either system is better than none, especially for homeowners.

If these tips fail to prevent a burglary, you can still minimize your losses, according to Detective Kenny, by keeping jewelry in a safe deposit box, or, if its very valuable and you would still like to have it around, wrap it in aluminum foil and store it in the

refrigerator. "Don't hide anything in the bedroom—it will be ransacked," he said. "Etch an identification number on your valuables with an engraving tool (one can be used at or borrowed from just about any police station). Often 'hot goods' are picked up in unrelated incidents and your ID number can hasten their return."

If, however, worse comes to worst and you are caught at home during a burglary, protect yourself at all costs. If you can't avoid confronting a burglar, cooperate fully. Your possessions are not worth your life and, surprisingly, too many people forget that.

- If a burglar enters your house, flee if possible. If a burglar enters your bedroom while you are in bed, pretend to be asleep.

- If you can't get out of the house, go into a room with a solid door that can be locked from the inside. Stay there. If you don't already have such a room, install a slide-bolt lock on bedroom doors to make them secure.

- If the burglar is out of earshot, quietly telephone the police and inform them that a burglary is in progress. Be sure to tell them where you live. Many police stations can put you into a three-way conversation with the patrol car in your area and the police desk so you'll know when the police are at your home. An automatic-dialer bedside telephone, available at most telephone stores, can speed your call.

The surging burglary rate has made most people much more aware of their own vulnerability to theft at home. Taking advantage of even a few of these tips will lessen your chances of becoming a victim, but take action now. "Many of our customers buy after they've been burglarized," said the owner of one major burglar alarm company. "I hear stories of how people have awakened to find a burglar in their bedroom. Having a gun poked into your face in the dead of night has to be one of life's most traumatic experiences."

And it's not something that just happens to the other fellow. Recalling the burglary of Mary B.'s home and her subsequent hysteria, Detective Semancik said, "You know, you feel bad for these people. You can tell who's worked hard all their lives, saved their money to buy a house full of cherished possessions. When they've been burglarized, you don't know what to tell them. What can you say? By then, it's already too late." ☼



## Cowboys

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tired. Sickness or injury was his own secret. In one camp, a cowboy returned to the bunkhouse, sat down and began to whittle a stick. After he had shaved it thin, he bared his leg and revealed a deep wound. His horse had stumbled, he said, and his gun had gone off accidentally. That brief explanation over, he wrapped a rag around the stick, pushed it into the wound, then rode 30 miles to a doctor with his leg across the saddle horn.

Though the life was rugged, the tribulations were part of the game and the cowpuncher could usually see the funny side. His wry wit is part of cowboy legend. Most of his humor depended upon the poker face with which he attempted to affect seriousness, and it was especially sharp when another had failed in an undertaking. The clumsy one never got sympathy. In one instance, when a roper had missed his throw at a steer for the third time, another cowhand rode up and asked, "Say, why don't you put a stamp on it and send it to him by mail?" Often humor relieved a tense situation. It probably solved more problems than the six-shooter ever did.

The cowboy sprang into existence in Texas in the 1850s, when some enterprising pioneers took a notion there might be money in catching the free-roaming, half-wild longhorns (descended from cattle brought in by the Spaniards) and bringing them to Eastern markets.

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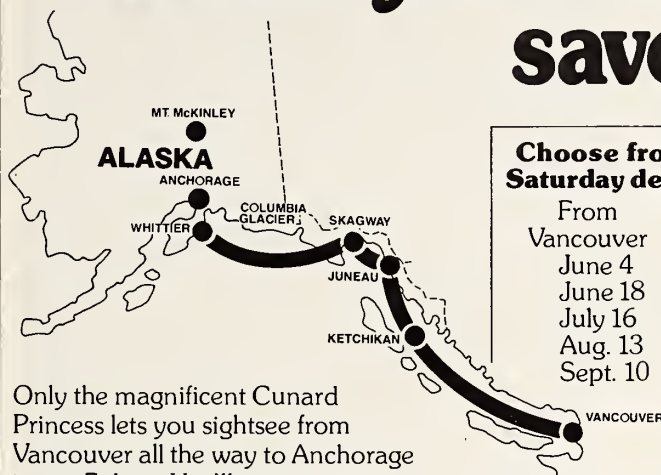
To the cowboy of the Old West, nothing was more challenging, or miserable, than the unique and short-lived phenomenon called the "long drive." It was the grandest, most grueling adventure cowboy life offered. It was a 1,200-mile trek that took four months of dust, thirst, blisters, cold and danger to complete—for which the men received \$25 to \$30 a month. It was a hard way to earn \$100.

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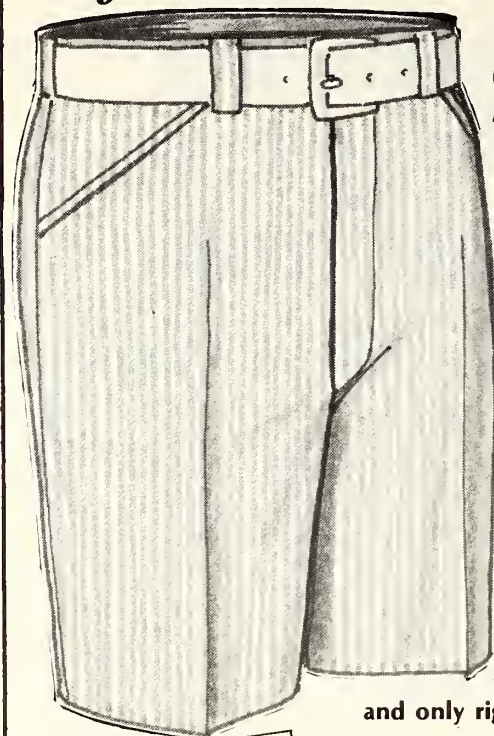
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named Baylis Fletcher, on his first trail drive moving 2,500 head of cattle from Corpus Christi to Dodge City on the old Chisholm Trail.

Trouble started the second day out, Fletcher recorded. While guiding the herd through a small town, the cattle were spooked by an old woman flapping her sunbonnet to shoosh them away from her roses. The longhorns took her advice seriously and scattered all over the village. It was hours before they could be regrouped.

A few nights later, the herd was spooked by rustlers. The steers, already nervous, took off in a rumbling stampede. The trail boss's cry, "All hands and the cook!" sent every man in camp out on a frantic night ride.



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But next morning a hundred steers were still missing.

Once a herd had broken, it was likely to go again and again. One night the heavens opened up and dropped hailstones as big as quail eggs, pelting the men and again scattering the cows.

Occasionally the mass of animals would take off for no reason at all, giving the hands another grim night in



the saddle.

Anything could trigger a stampede. Thunder caused most trouble, yet some things that startled them into running were ordinary, even trifling: a tumbleweed, a jackrabbit, even the flare of a match could set them off. On one drive, a shred of tobacco from a cowboy's pouch lodged in a steer's eye, starting a raging charge that resulted in the loss of 400 cows.

When cattle stampeded, they often ran until exhausted. In a four-mile run on a hot night, a beef could lose up to 50 pounds, which was murder on the rancher's profits.

It was worse for the cowboy. Riding at breakneck speed through the night to check the stampede was the most dangerous part of a perilous job. In country pocked with prairie-dog holes, his life depended on the sure-footedness of his horse. A spill meant certain death, with both horse and rider thrown into the path of the oncoming herd.

The high time of the trail drives lasted only 20 years and petered out after it was discovered cattle could be raised, in spite of snow, in Montana and Wyoming. A grass-fattened northwestern beef brought \$60, compared to \$50 for a leaner Texas steer. Immense ranches developed where they raised a new kind of beef, a white-faced steer.

It didn't change the cowhand's life much, though.

His home was the bunkhouse, often just a shack of cottonwood logs—cold in winter, hot and smelly in summer. The interior was generally plastered with newspapers. It didn't keep out the winter cold—but reading the walls helped the puncher kill boredom.

Out on the range the cowboy fried his brains under the summer sun keeping his cattle on good grass, shoeing horses, putting out salt, repairing windmills, riding endless miles in rain and wind looking for lost calves. He was a part-time vet who invented his own cures, using powerful medicines such as carbolic acid.

One of the most onerous chores was bog riding in spring, when the pesky heelfly drove cattle to run for the nearest bog hole to escape the torturous bites. Once bogged, they couldn't free themselves. The suction of the soil held the animal's feet as if in a vise, and the more it struggled the deeper it sank. It took two cowhands to pull the

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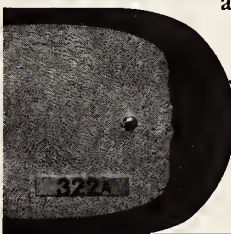
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cow out, one to rope and pull, the other to wade into the gumbo with a shovel to dig the cow's legs free, all the time keeping his own legs moving to keep from getting bogged himself.

Another rugged chore was dehorning to keep cows from goring one another. That was commonly a part of the spring roundup.

Roundup was the most exciting time of a cowboy's job. It happened twice a year—once in fall when men rode out to rangeland to harvest the cattle. It was then the rancher found out just how much he was worth in terms of beef on the hoof. There was another roundup in spring. Traditionally, the men went out when the grass first turned green and gathered in new calves for branding.

It takes a special pony for separating out, or cutting, cows and calves from the main herd. The best cutting ponies were so alert and intelligent that their riders had little need of reins. As soon as the man showed the pony which calf or steer he wanted to cut, the horse's ears began to twitch and its eyes would stay glued on the animal being chased toward the branding iron. It knew what it was doing.

Branding irons were heated to a red-hot glow. Two men on horseback roped calves by the hind legs and dragged them toward the fire. Working in teams, the others wrestled calves to the ground. Each calf was branded on the ribs, dehorned and the males castrated. Fifty-five an hour was average, but one legendary cowpuncher reportedly set a record when he cut out and branded 900 in a single day.

The open-range roundup system lasted only a few years, yet during its existence it was the event every cowman looked forward to with eagerness. Ranchers all converged to cut out their branded cattle from the free-roaming herds, to separate calves from mothers and brand them, and to apportion the mavericks among the cattle owners. For the cowhand it served as a reunion with old friends and a means of cultivating new acquaintances. The air echoed with: "If it ain't..." and "Well I'll be..."

Today cattle are fenced in and there's no mixing of herds. Branding, however, is still a vital part of a cowhand's life, mainly a guard against rustling.

In spring roundup, the hands are up before sunup to catch and saddle their

horses. They work 18 hours a day moving cows, separating mothers from unmarked calves, then taking turns roping, branding, cutting, inoculating and earmarking before heading them out to summer range.

Each fall, buckaroos bring the cattle down from high country, separating the steers for shipment to feed lots or market, and moving the new young herd to winter pasture.

These are muscle-bruising days for

## Utterly Utilitarian

Everything the cowboy wore was designed for use, not ornament. His pants were of material that could stand rough use. He wore them tight so they'd stay up without support—suspenders interfered with his work, belts could cause hernia when riding a pitching horse. A coat hampered freedom of motion, but he always wore a vest—not for warmth, but for storage room—to pack matches, short pencil and tally book to keep track of cattle and salary due, a plug of tobacco or sack of makings. That Bull Durham tag hanging outside was a sign of his calling.

He'd spend as much as four month's wages on his hat; it was his proudest possession and was seldom removed. A seasoned cowboy could tell what state a man was from by the size and shape of his hat.

His boots were the most expensive part of his rigging, custom-made of high-grade leather. Heels were high so he could "dig in" when roping on foot, narrow and sloped so he could get loose from the stirrup if thrown. The sole was thin so he had the feel of the stirrup (he never planned to walk anywhere anyway). The vamp had to be skintight so his feet would look small—a point of pride with the cowboy, who never wanted to be mistaken for a "sodbuster."

Chaps protected his legs from thorns, brush scrapes and rope burns. He preferred a type that could be snapped on without removing his spurs. Spurs, by the way, though highly practical, were also a vital part of the cowboy's image, and he rarely took them off.

In short, every piece of apparel was utterly utilitarian.



the hands. But sometimes at day's end there'll be a cold beer waiting in the bunkhouse, and a short time for cards and talk before collapsing in the bed-rolls.

At the peak of the cowboy era, an estimated 40,000 men made a living working cattle. Now there aren't half that many. It's a job that not everybody is able, or crazy enough, to do.

Today's cowpoke does part of his work with pickup truck and Jeep. But he still spends long hours in the saddle in harsh weather, searching the vastness for steers. He learns to live with bone-weariness and loneliness.

If you're looking for him, you'll find him on a horse somewhere out on the rangelands of Idaho or Montana, or riding fence in Wyoming, or maybe downing a beer in a Nevada saloon. He's easy to spot because he looks like a cowboy ought to look. His skin has the texture of beef jerky, his scuffed boots are sharp-toed, his jeans ride low on his waist. The stubby remains of a hand-rolled cigarette dangles from his lips. There is a bit of stoop in his stance and an easy grace in the way he mounts a horse. He's as real as the sweat stains on his battered old Stetson.

For pay he gets room and board and not a whole lot more. But he doesn't need much, he says. He owns his horse and he owns the saddle. He can always up and quit, maybe head for Idaho. In fact, Idaho was nice, he recalls.

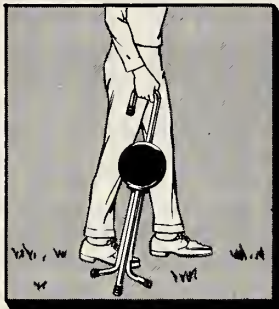
The outdoors is his. Alone on his horse, he's known sunrise in Arizona, the mist rising up from the meadows. He's marveled at the wide prairie stretching to the horizon and a herd of cattle almost too numerous to see across. He's lived through winter snows and seen the first greening of spring, wild flowers breaking through. He's heard the lonesome howl of a coyote while cooking coffee and beans over an open campfire. In a line shack in the Sierras he's lived among the tall pines, watched shadows falling across his shack from the highest peaks.

Asked if he liked his job, one cowpuncher snorted, "You call this a job? It's the sorriest damn line of work I ever heard of. Long hours, low pay. You want to know why I punch cows? Because I love every mortal minute of it!"

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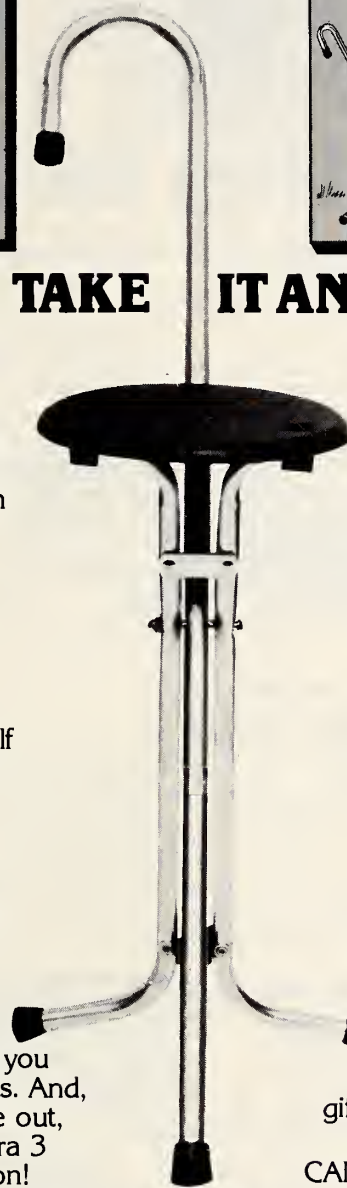
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## Seattle

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Farther to the north along the waterfront are the Hiram S. Chittendon Government Locks (usually just referred to as "the Locks"), a fascinating place where one can spend hours watching all manner of craft from small outboards and sailboats to ocean-going ships being lowered from fresh-water Lake Washington Ship Canal to salt-water Puget Sound, or vice versa. A short walk across the dam at the Locks is the "fish ladder," where one can watch salmon or other fish jumping up the "ladder" levels, or in glass viewing windows. And, it's all free.

Nearby in the lee of the Ballard Bridge is Fisherman's Terminal, home port of the fishing fleet, where one can walk out on the docks and observe the variety of craft close-up. There's also a fine, large restaurant there, where you can view the fleet as you dine.

Fascination of the water for Seattleites also is apparent in the scores of houseboats lining certain areas of Lake Union and the canal into Lake Washington. Because of the high percentage of Seattleites who own pleasure boats of all kinds, Seattle often is proclaimed "the boating capital of the world."

Any visit to Seattle should include a ferryboat ride, touted by the Washington State Ferry system as "America's best travel buy." Two of the most popular tours are those to the Naval Shipyard city of Bremerton across the Sound and the shorter ride to the Bainbridge Island community of Winslow. Both depart from the ferry terminal at the foot of Marion Street in the shadow of the business district, at Pier 52. The cruise to Bremerton, where one can go aboard the historic battleship USS *Missouri*, takes about an hour each way. Bainbridge is about half that time.

Both leisurely cruises offer views of the harbor, Seattle's skyline and Alki Point in West Seattle where the Denny

party landed in 1851 to launch what became the "Emerald City."

Interested in going "overseas" during your convention trip? You can, via a long one-day trip to Victoria, B.C., an overnigher, or longer. The British Columbia government operates the ship *Princess Marguerite* between Seattle and B.C., and the fare is reasonable.

For conventioners planning to come to Seattle several days before the convention, or taking time afterward, there's also the Alaska ferry. It provides magnificent viewing as it cruises through the San Juan Islands, across the Strait of Juan de Fuca and up the Inland Passage. But if you want to take the Alaska trip, make reservations through your travel agent now because this popular voyage gets booked up months in advance. The ferry arrives and departs from the Seattle waterfront.

## Seattle, The Emerald City—if we were any place else we'd have to charge admission.

For those on limited time budgets, other cruises are available on harbor tour boats. There also are fishing charters, either on Elliott Bay and Puget Sound, or longer trips from fishing resorts on the Olympic Peninsula or the Pacific coastline. Once you hook a fighting salmon, you'll be "hooked."

Another harbor tour is to Tillicum Village on Blake Island State Park, which includes succulent salmon baked Indian-style, ceremonial Indian dances and strolls in the forest paths or on the beach.

On the mainland are endless tour and sightseeing offerings. Any visit to Seattle should include the Woodland Park Zoological Gardens where, besides colorful gardens and picnic areas, one can observe animals and birds from apes to zebras in a natural habitat outdoors. There also are indoor exhibits of birds, reptiles and others. Plan plenty of time for a zoo tour.

A never-to-be-forgotten experience is "looking Mount Rainier in the eye." Sightseeing tour buses take visitors to



majestic snow-and-ice covered Mount Rainier National Park where there are Sunrise Park on the east and Paradise on the south of the 14,410-foot peak. The park offers climbing, hiking trails, camping and lake or stream fishing.

One of Washington's newer attractions, of course, is Mount St. Helens, some 100 miles south of Seattle, which blew its top off two years ago in a mighty, disastrous volcanic blast. Aerial tours to Mount St. Helens are available, as well as bus tours.

Seattle has its Chinatown in the International District, which one can visit on a tour or individually. It features a variety of Chinese, Japanese and other foods and entertainment. Near the International District is the Kingdome, site of professional football, basketball, soccer and large shows of various kinds. Kingdome offers tours of the \$40 million facility. Tours of the Boeing 747/767 plant north of Seattle are also offered. Boeing pioneered the age of flight and still is pushing back the frontiers of aerospace technology as well as branching into other endeavors.

A legacy of Seattle's early, lusty past is its Underground City. Leveled by a fire in 1889, the city was rebuilt on top of its ruins. Those ruins are a feature of Seattle's Underground Tour.

Don't miss a visit to Pike Place Market, another Seattle institution. It's right in downtown Seattle and began as a farmers' market, where produce grown on nearby farms was hauled in daily and sold. It also was where fishermen offered their catches. One of the few such markets that survived "progress," Pike Place is a loud, bustling, colorful bazaar offering goods and produce, meats and seafood, arts and crafts, unusual eating places and other attractions.

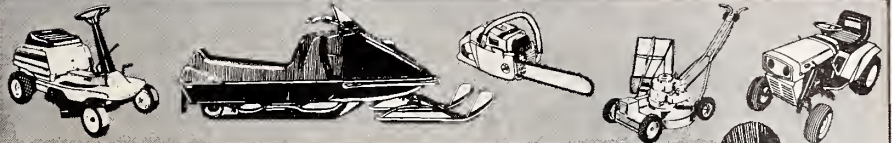
Speaking of seafood, that's naturally a specialty of many restaurants and fast food places. However, with the influx of people from other countries, particularly from the Pacific Rim, there also has been a great growth in restaurants offering a wide variety of specialties of other lands.

One writer, extolling the virtues of Seattle and the Puget Sound country as a vacation, sightseeing and convention place, wrote:

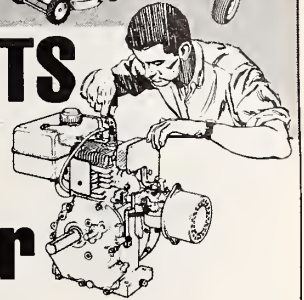
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## Ike

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charge knew their business. He also wanted to know how well the troops were being housed and clothed, and encouraged them to speak their minds.

At his headquarters, he would receive many thousands of letters from worried parents whose sons were in combat zones. Busy as he was commanding the mightiest armies ever assembled, he read what he could and assigned an aide to answer as many as possible with reassuring notes.

One day in 1942, a rawboned young private ambled into Eisenhower's headquarters at 20 Grosvenor Square in London and asked to see "the new general." Ike, then wearing two stars, had just arrived from the States and was occupying cramped offices on the second floor. The GI, in a loud voice, said he was from Abilene, the same small town in the heart of Kansas where Ike was raised, and would like to say "howdy."

Aghast aides told him the general was too busy, but in the small area Ike had heard the booming voice and poked his head outside. He beckoned to the young visitor. "So you're from Abilene," he said, inviting him into his office. He put aside vital war business for 20 minutes to chat with the homesick private.

That summer, before he got his own staff, Ike would amble over to the GI mess on Green Street instead of having meals at the British officers dining room, where the chow and the atmosphere were colder. At first the soldiers were awed at having such high brass in their midst, but they soon got accustomed to the familiar, friendly figure.

When it came to food, Ike's tastes were unpretentious. On state visits he dined with kings, princes and prime ministers on *haute cuisine*, but he'd rather have roast pork and sauerkraut than pheasant under glass. "I don't go for that hifalutin gourmet stuff," he said.

He loved baked beans cooked in a special way he had come across in early Army years, with salt pork, molasses and onions. Once, when Winston Churchill was a dinner guest at his headquarters in England, he served him a special dish—franks and beans. Churchill called them "a delicacy fit for a king." The general was also a Chinese food buff, but skip the fancy dishes, please. When he occupied the White House, he'd often ask a porter to get the take-out kind. The man would return with containers of

chicken chow mein, egg rolls and roast pork with Chinese vegetables.

Ike also took pride in charcoal broiling the "perfect steak," which he did without using grill or grate. Here's his method. Toss a 4-inch-thick sirloin tip in a dry mixture of salt, pepper and garlic powder. Get a bonfire going on the ground and toss in a basketful of coals. When the charcoal is glowing, throw the steak right into the fire and leave it for 35 minutes, nudging a few times. Remove and slice slanty slabs about three-eighths-inch thick.

At West Point, Ike never made anybody's list of model cadets. He collected demerits by the score. In his final year, only 39 classmates out of 164 collected more than he did. His were all minor infractions, such as tardiness, a messy room, brass not shiny enough and, on one occasion, dancing too fast with a young lady at a social!



"How are the brandied prunes coming?"

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A story still being told at the Point concerns the time a pair of upper-classmen ordered young Ike to appear after hours in his full-dress coat with white cross belt for some disciplining. Ike showed up, smartly clad in the coat and belt—but minus his pants. Standing at stiff attention, eyes riveted ahead, he replied to their astonished questions with: "Nothing was said about trousers, sir."

If it weren't for a pretty young girl's will, Ike might have wound up in the Air Force. He had his eyes on the stars, or more specifically the skies. After graduation as a second lieutenant,



ant, he was intrigued by the new and growing area of military aviation. Realizing its vast potential, he wanted to transfer into that branch, though he readily confessed that the 50 percent pay increase fliers received was a strong incentive.

But there was a catch and her name was Mamie Doud, the girl from Denver he was squiring around and to whom he had proposed marriage. Mamie put her foot down and so did her parents. Mamie told him she wasn't about to marry anybody who would be soaring up in those new-fangled flying machines. She put it to him frankly: choose between her and an airplane.

Ike chose Mamie. And, as events turned out, he got his stars anyway.

Ike smoked too much until ordered by his doctor to stop. He was a two-pack a day man, sometimes more, when he quit cold turkey after the war. He drank only moderately, with two scotch highballs heavily diluted with water his daily limit. He played a brilliant game of bridge and, earlier in his career, a mean game of poker, often winning large sums.

He generally got only six or seven hours of sleep and rose shortly after six. His first day as President, he slept late—7 a.m.—and still surprised White House staffers by appearing at his office a half hour later. His favorite exercise was golf, supplemented by a rowing machine and an exercise bike.

There was a streak of pettiness in Ike that sometimes surfaced at the wrong time. Just before his inauguration for his first term, President Harry Truman ordered Ike's son, John, home from Korea, where he was serving. Truman planned it as a surprise, but Eisenhower felt it should not have been done because it smacked of special privilege.

So on the day of the inauguration in 1953, Ike was still steaming. First Lady Bess Truman, homebody that she was, hosted a large breakfast at the White House for both families, but Ike, who had come by in a limousine, sat outside and adamantly refused to come in. Truman, for his part, was furious at the snub. He was burned up all during the ceremonies and for years thereafter, until the day of his death.

Added to this occasional pettiness was Ike's desire to be liked, a laudable enough characteristic but one that can prevent an individual from being to-

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tally frank. Declares Peter Lyon in his monumental biography, "His need for a friendly rapport was one reason for his reluctance, so often remarked by journalists, to speak ill of anyone." Even when it came to British Gen. Bernard Montgomery, whom he clearly disliked, he never spoke his mind. He had no love either for Gen. Douglas MacArthur, but his only criticism was contained in a private journal he kept, released long after his death. Writing of his service with MacArthur in the Philippines, he claimed that he had "studied dramatics under Douglas MacArthur" in the 1930s.

Religion played a more significant part in Ike's life than most people realized. Toward the end, he admitted that he had seldom discussed his theological philosophy with anyone. Nonetheless, what he called a "deep, Bible-centered faith" colored his thoughts and actions at virtually every phase of his career.

His father David, a poorly paid creamery worker, and his mother Ida were devout Evangelicals who raised their six sons (there were seven but one died in infancy) by the Book and the Ten Commandments. By the time he was 18, young Ike had read the Bible through twice and committed many of its passages to memory. As a boy, he spent many hours talking about it, chapter by chapter, with his mother. His favorite passages were Psalms 23, 46 and 121.

The Rev. Dr. MacAskill, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church of Gettysburg, visited Ike at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington frequently during the general's final illness, praying with him and having long talks on faith.

MacAskill learned during these intimate conversations that Ike knew all the details of the military campaigns described in the Old Testament. He would comment upon the tactics employed and analyze the reasons for their success or failure. "I found myself wondering," the clergyman told me, "to what extent he had applied this knowledge to the conduct of his own campaign during the war."

Ike believed in prayer and did so often, in solitude and in public. "Often during World War II," he once said, "I turned to God."

On Inauguration Day, January 20, 1953, Ike, Mamie, son John, daughter-in-law Barbara and other members

of the family gathered in a hotel room to await the ceremonies. Suddenly Ike had a thought. He told Mamie that he would like to compose a short prayer and add it to his speech.

Picking up a memo pad from the telephone table, he wrote busily for 10 minutes. That message of faith, hastily done, was the most lasting part of his inaugural speech, which went through countless, laborious rewrites. The words are engraved on a tablet inside the Place of Meditation, the small chapel on the grounds of Eisenhower Center where Ike and Mamie are buried. One of the three short paragraphs reads:

"Give us, we pray, the power to discern clearly right from wrong, and allow all our words and actions to be governed thereby, and by the laws of the land. Especially we pray that our concern shall be for all the people regardless of station, race, or calling."

Before the ceremony, Ike asked all the persons who would make up his official family, 140 in all, to join him in a prayer service at the National Presbyterian Church. It was the first time any Chief Executive had publicly sought Divine guidance before taking office.

During his presidency, he opened every cabinet session by asking everyone present to pray silently. And before he affixed his signature to an important executive order in the Oval Office, he would shut his eyes and utter a short prayer.

Ike believed in his country with every fiber of his being.

"There is nothing wrong with America," he once said, "that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence and energy of her citizens cannot cure." Those words are as vibrantly fresh and meaningful today as they were when he spoke them.

By the winter of 1968, he had been so weakened by a succession of heart attacks that he was unable to speak much. In March, as he lay dying in his suite on the third floor of Walter Reed, he turned to Mamie, who remained almost constantly at his side, and whispered: "I've always loved my wife. I've always loved my children. I've always loved my grandchildren. And I've always loved my country."

Can any man hope for a more fitting epitaph? ❀

## Commander's Message

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treaty (which the North Vietnamese savagely violated in their final 1975 invasion) South Vietnam had been saved from the Communists and had a reasonable chance to evolve into a free and prosperous society.

So, when the alarmists cry "No more Vietnams," we must realize that what they are really saying is that our national security policy will never again permit the use of a U.S. military force in a foreign land. This retreat to armed isolationism would undermine U.S. leadership of the free world and give the Soviets a golden opportunity to dominate other lands.

The real lesson of Vietnam is not that the United States must never again commit its might to the fight for freedom on a foreign shore, but that certain questions must be answered in the affirmative before U.S. forces should be employed in a combat role. Before identifying those questions, though, let me clearly state that The American Legion, while supportive of any reasonable initiative necessary to stop Communist encroachment in this hemisphere, sees no need for direct U.S. military action in El Salvador now, and no such requirement is anticipated. But, if the United States is seriously committed to defending its vital security interests and to supporting freedom-loving peoples everywhere, it must realize that deterrence of aggression requires not only the capability, but also the willingness—yes, *willingness*, no matter how reluctantly—to use military force when other means have proven ineffective. Without that tempered willingness, we have no deterrent.

Having established that context, here are questions that need be answered, based on our Vietnam experience:

- Is there clearly a vital U.S. interest at stake?
- Does the United States have the capacity to achieve its objectives at a reasonable cost?
- Are the government, military forces and citizens we are to assist willing to shoulder their fair share of the burden?
- And, finally, can a consensus of support for U.S. policy be maintained or developed among the American people?

Even if all those questions can be answered "yes," we must still complete a final, critical step. We must analyze the array of options open to the United



States in achieving its objectives. These, of course, can run the gamut from economic aid all the way to direct military involvement.

In the case of El Salvador, those questions have been answered in the affirmative by our government and the U.S. plan of action calls for (1) rebuilding the Salvadoran army by providing its key members training in the U.S., designed to produce an effective fighting force; (2) launching military-civil operations, by the Salvadorans, to destroy Communist strongholds and to ignite economic redevelopment initiatives; and (3) to move forward the scheduled March 1984 elections to late 1983, thus persuading leftist Salvadoran leaders to participate while isolating recalcitrant Marxist insurgents.

This strategy may work.

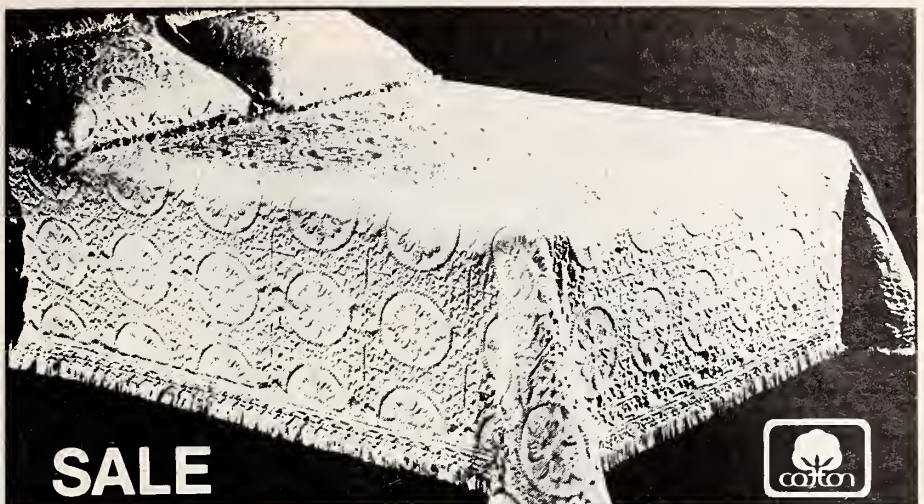
The strategy that won't work is U.S. abandonment of the existing Salvadoran government in its fight against Communist aggression.

The American Legion remains a champion of such initiatives to protect El Salvador from a Communist takeover and our nation's strategy closely parallels a Legion resolution adopted by the 64th National Convention. Resolution 310 calls for "adequate economic aid to El Salvador . . . increased military training and equipment as necessary to defeat the guerrillas . . . and whatever action is necessary to redeem the (United States) pledge to defeat Communist subversion . . ."

Right now, allies and potential enemies alike are watching how we honor our commitment to El Salvador. They are assessing our resolve based on our strength of national character, collective will and adherence to stated principles. And, surely, they are wondering if the specter of Vietnam will be misinterpreted, thus preventing this great nation from fulfilling its role as the foremost champion of freedom.

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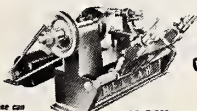
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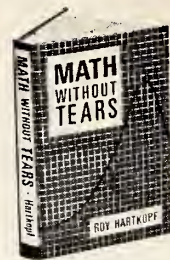
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—KAREN CONNELL

Young Sally looked up from the book she'd been reading and said, "Daddy, do all fairy tales begin with 'once upon a time'?" "No, dear," replied the father, "some start with 'when I'm elected.'"

—A. H. BERZEN

## Lost Digit

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Has anyone seen my finger?

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—CATHERINE CARUTHERS

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## Legal Logic

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"I'll take it," said the lawyer.

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**When a little old lady sits at a spinning wheel these days she's in Las Vegas.**

—JOAN SMITH

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"Yeah," said the teacher, "and that was only in the teachers' lounge."

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